

St. James

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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

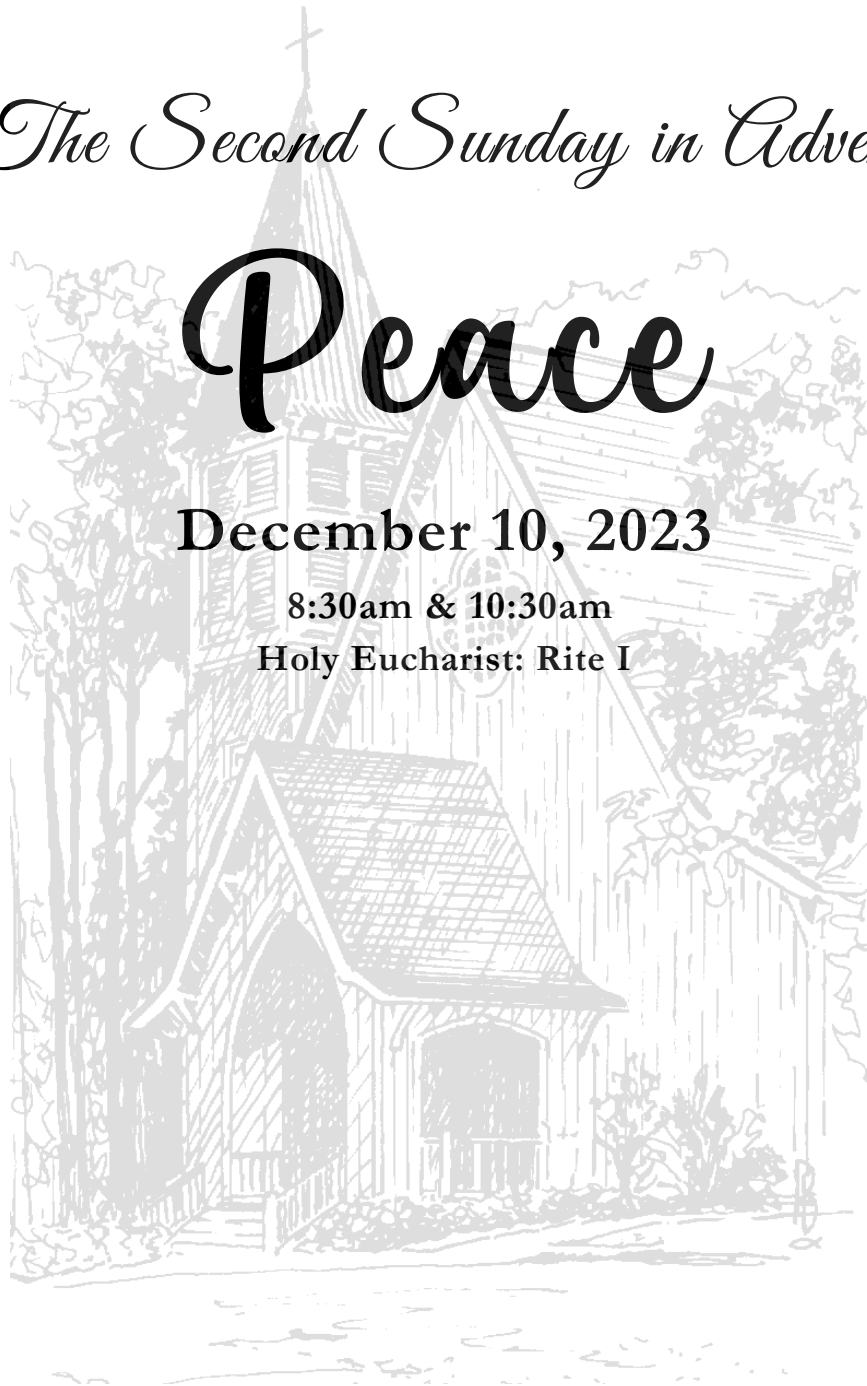
The Second Sunday in Advent

Peace

December 10, 2023

8:30am & 10:30am

Holy Eucharist: Rite I



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

PRELUDE MUSIC

Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming


arr. Gilbert Martin

PROCESSIONAL HYMN


Hark! The glad sound

Hymn 72


Words: Philip Doddridge (1702-1751). Music: *Richmond*, melody Thomas Hawels (1734-1820); adapt. Samuel Webbe (1740-1816); harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern, Revised*, 1950



1 Hark, the glad sound! The Sav - ior comes, the Sav - ior
 2 He comes the pris - oners to re - lease, in Sa - tan's
 3 He comes the bro - ken heart to bind, the wound - ed
 4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, your wel - come



prom - ised long! Let ev - ery heart pre -
 bond - age held; the gates of brass be -
 soul to cure, and with the trea - sures
 shall pro - claim; and heaven's e - ter - nal



pare a throne, and ev - ery voice a song.
 fore him burst, the i - ron fet - ters yield.
 of his grace, to en - rich the hum - bled poor.
 arch - es ring with your be - lov - ed name.

OPENING SENTENCES

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

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant may say

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

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*

Trisagion

S-100

David Hurd (b. 1950)

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.
Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.
Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 325

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Merciful God, who didst send thy messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 40: 1-11

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken." A voice says, "Cry out!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, "Here is your God!" See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 85:1-2, 8-13 (*chanted by all*)

1	You have been gracious to your land, O Lord , * you have restored the good fortune of Jacob .	10	Mercy and truth have met together ; * righteousness and peace have kissed each other .
2	You have forgiven the iniquity of your people * and blotted out all their sins .	11	Truth shall spring up from the earth , * and righteousness shall look down from heaven .
8	I will listen to what the Lord God is saying , * for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him .	12	The Lord will indeed grant prosperity , * and our land will yield its increase .
9	Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him , * that his glory may dwell in our land .	13	Righteousness shall go before him , * and peace shall be a pathway for his feet .

SECOND READING

2 Peter 3:8-15a

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed. Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home. Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

1 Com - fort, com - fort ye my peo - ple, speak ye peace, thus
 2 Hark, the voice of one that cri - eth in the des - ert
 3 Make ye straight what long was crook - ed, make the rough - er

saith our God; com - fort those who sit in dark - ness
 far and near, call - ing us to new re - pent - ance
 pla - ces plain; let your hearts be true and hum - ble,

mourn - ing 'neath their sor - rows' load. Speak ye to Je -
 since the king - dom now is here. Oh, that warn - ing
 as be - fits his ho - ly reign. For the glo - ry

ru - sa - lem of the peace that waits for them;
 cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way;
 of the Lord now o'er earth is shed a - broad;

tell her that her sins I cov - er,
 let the val - leys rise to meet him
 and all flesh shall see the to - ken

and her war - fare now is o - ver.
 and the hills bow down to greet him.
 that the word is nev - er bro - ken.

Words: Johann G. Olearius (1611-1684); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: *Psalm 42*, melody and bass Claude Goudimel (1514-1572); harm. *Hymnal 1982*.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MARK

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

MARK 1:1-8

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,'" John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Amanda Doshier

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 327

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP 328

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Father De and Father Forbes, and Mother Amanda, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of James and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

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

The Celebrant then says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

THE CONFESSION

BCP 320

The people stand or kneel

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.**

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

Panis angelicus
Austin Young, soloist

Franck (1822 - 1890)

*The bread of angels becomes the bread of men,
the heavenly bread gives an end to (earthly) forms.*

*O marvelous and wondrous sacrament:
a poor man, a slave, and the humble one;
the body of the Lord will nourish.*

10:30

There's a Voice in the Wilderness Crying

arr. Michael Larkin

THE PRESENTATION

O come, O come, Emmanuel

Hymn No. 56 (*v. 1*)
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**O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here, until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!**

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.

Because thou didst send thy beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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

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.

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

Hymn S-161

David Hurd

**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.**

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 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.

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

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

James Manley

*Refrain: Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea*

**You moved on the waters, you called to the deep
Then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons you called to each thing;
“Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.” Refrain**

**You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;
and when they were blinded with idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. Refrain**

**You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;
and down in the city you called once again,
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. Refrain**

**You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.
From the bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions your people arise. Refrain**

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

The king shall come when morning dawns

Hymn 73

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1 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and
 2 Not, as of old, a lit - tle child, to
 3 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and
 4 and let the end - less bliss be - gin, by
 5 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and

1 light tri - um - phant breaks; when beau - ty gilds the
 2 bear, and fight, and die, but crowned with glo - ry
 3 earth's dark night is past; O haste the ris - ing
 4 wear - y saints fore - told, when right shall tri - umph
 5 light and beau - ty brings: Hail, Christ the Lord! Thy

1 east - ern hills and life to joy a - wakes.
 2 like the sun that lights the morn - ing sky.
 3 of that morn, the day that e'er shall last;
 4 o - ver wrong, and truth shall be ex - tolled.
 5 peo - ple pray, come quick - ly, King of kings.

Words: Greek; tr. John Brownlie (1859-1925), alt. Music: *St. Stephen*, William Jones (1726-1800), alt.

DISMISSAL

A member of the clergy blesses the people with an appropriate dismissal.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

arr. Jerry Westenkuehler

SERVANTS

8:30 AM

Ushers: Steve Chiepalich, Kelvin Hamil,
Joe Strange, Paul Miller
Chalice Bearers: Gary Garner, Bill Dowdle,
Gina Walcott
Lector: Matt Havard
Intercessor: Jaden Williams
Server/Crucifer: Sam Sully
Coffee Ministry: Craig Stepan, Sandy Stepan
Welcome Ministry: Barbara Haljun

10:30 AM

Ushers: Ben Coddling, Pel Henry,
Randy Sternenberg, Byron Cobb
Chalice Bearers: Lisa Cobb, Jonathan Burton
Lector: Holly McKinney
Intercessor: Kathy Sternenberg
Acolytes: Mason McClure, Makayla Williams,
Sami Cobb, Woods Henry, Charlotte Coddling
Children's Chapel: Alexandra Miller
Welcome Ministry: Rita Wells

at both services

Clergy: The Reverend De Freeman, Rector,
The Reverend Forbes Sirmon, Associate Priest,
The Reverend Amanda Doshier, Associate Priest
Director of Music/Organist: Mary Katherine Kilgore
Altar Guild: 12/10: Estefan 12/17: Bentley/Redditt

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Christmas
Service Times

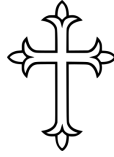
Service of the Longest Night
Tuesday, December 19 at 6:00 PM in the chapel
Sunday, December 24
Advent IV (regular Sunday service) at 10:30 AM

Christmas Eve Services
4:00 PM, 7:00 PM & 10:00 PM
Adult choir sings at 7:00 PM service
Nursery available at 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Christmas Day
Holy Eucharist at 10:30 AM

The church office will be closed the week
following Christmas.
We will reopen on Tuesday, January 2.

St. James Episcopal Church



THE ST. JAMES PRAYER LIST

PLEASE KEEP THESE PARISHIONERS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Barbara Arnold, Charlie Bassett, Karen Billups, Jane Buttram, Jeanelle Clark, Sharon Clay, Maite Clyatt, JD Dolan, Ellen Gentle, Glenda Gravlee, Rusty Godard, Jack Grimsley, Brandy Haas, Gray Gonas Hankins, Clay Havard, Rose Mary Heveran, Dianne Herring, Jim Herring, Laura Jones, Sam Jones, Jennifer Lambert, James Laura, Patti Miller, Hilde Neasbe, Jamie Oquin, Joe Palmer, Brenda Pisarkiewicz, John Pisarkiewicz, Joan Rice, Helen Rodgers, Nancy Rowe, Julene Shell, Bill Sims, Sam South, Ron Stevens, Joan Sulzmann, Leslie Turnbull, Cynthia Wallace, John Wallace, Robin Williams, Sam Williams, Randal Wright, Susan Wynne, Jeanne Yancey, 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, Amy Engel, Ruth Fitzgerald, Denson Freeman, Sr., Kristen Freeman, Mary Freeman, Ronnie Gadbois, Ruth Gadbois, Hannah Gaylord, Jerry Gotstinne, Radner Graham, Michael Gredell, Tony Green, Verna Guillet, 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, Don Hughes, Nancy Hughes, Marilyn Hutchins, Barbara Kelleem, Ann Kiser, Collin Knapp, Keaton & Kirsten Krebs, Alan Kuhn, Adriene LaPorte, Peg Lawrence, Wiley May, Michael McGeever, Suzanne McKinney, Laurin McMurry, John Charles Moore, Jayne Murphy, 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, Robinson family, Page Robinson, Mary Rogers, Frank Rosetti, Leon Russell, Anna Sawyer, Leslie Sawyer, Cameron Sipperley, Jana Soward, Margaret Spence, Tracy Taylor, Connie Thames, Brent Thomas, Glenda Turner, William Twilbeck, Mark Ulmer, Brandon Webb, Colin Wilkins, Larry Williams, Alan Wilson, Helen Wilson, Claire Windham, Carolyn Zeanah, and those who care for them.

Military Prayer Requests:

Brewer Ayres, Brandon Beam, Lee Brennan, Marlin Brutkiewicz, Casey Callister, 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.

Parish News & Events

Christmas Flower Dedications - Tomorrow, December 11, is the deadline to submit your dedications to be included in Christmas bulletins. See form below. Forms are also located in the narthex, Green Hall, the church office, and online at <https://www.stjamesfairhope.org/giving/altar-flowers>

Toys for Tots - St. James Episcopal School is collecting new, unwrapped toys for Toys for Tots. The collection box is located in the school. Please drop off toys by December 15.

Daughters of the King - Want to learn more about the DOK? Join us TODAY in the Vestry Room following the 10:30 service, for coffee and an informational meeting.

Altar Guild Polishing Day - December 16, 10:00-1:00. Light lunch provided.

Parish Breakfast - December 17 following the 7:30 service AND between the 8:30 and 10:30 services.

Women of the Church Christmas Party and Dirty Santa Exchange - December 18, 6:00 PM in the Vestry Room. What to bring: A Dirty Santa gift (\$10.00 or less) for exchanging, a sweet or salty dish to share, and candy or notes to place in small bags to accompany our flowers for homebound parishioners. **Refreshments will be provided. For more information contact Michelle Orr at 251-490-6077 or mollieathome77@yahoo.com**
ALL WOMEN OF THE CHURCH ARE WELCOME!

St. James Cookbooks - Cookbooks are still available for purchase and make great holiday gifts! Stop by the church office Monday through Thursday, 8:30 - 5:00, or look for one of our cookbook team members on Sunday mornings. Books are \$25.

Children & Youth Events

December 10th: TODAY! Meet St. Nicholas 9:45 AM in Green Hall

December 10th: You Group 5:30-7:00 PM

December 13th: Prodisce Pantry youth outreach 5:00 PM

December 17th: EYC Christmas Party 5:00-6:30 PM

December 21st: Cookie Decorating 2:00 - 4:00 PM in Green Hall

December 24th and 31st: No Sunday School

January 7 - Epiphany Feast of Lights. Calling all angels, shepherds, Mary, Joseph, and wisemen! All children ages 3 and up are invited to participate. Please contact Natalie if your child is interested, or if you'd like to help. stjameseyc@stjamesfairhope.org

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DEDICATION

Remember or honor a loved one with flowers on the altar at Christmas. Please **print** your dedication neatly on the form below. Flower dedications received by Monday, December 11, will be included in the bulletins at all Christmas services. The cost is \$25.00 *per dedication*. Please use a separate form for each dedication. Additional forms are available in the Parish office and on our website at stjamesfairhope.org.

Completed order form and check payable to **St. James Flower Fund** may be mailed to the church, returned to the parish office, placed in the "Drop Box" or placed in the Sunday offering. *Please turn in your check and your form at the same time.*

***** PLEASE PRINT INFORMATION *****

Given by: _____

Email: _____ phone: _____

Circle **ONE**: In memory of In honor of In thanksgiving for
Name(s): _____

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Mailing address: St. James Episcopal Church, 860 North Section Street, Fairhope, AL 36532.