Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

November 16, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.

WELCOME TO ST. JAMES'S

***Nursery care** is available during the service on the first floor of the parish building. Ask an usher for directions, but know that your children are welcome in church during the service.*

***KFC: Kids for Christ!** Young Children age 3 through elementary school are welcome to gather in the narthex (main foyer) for Sunday School. They return during the Peace.*

***Parking** is available in our parking lot and across Walden at Santander Bank.*

***Hearing devices** are available at both entrances to the church.*

St. James's is a vibrant, inclusive, fun-loving, child-friendly community of faith. No matter where you are in your journey, we welcome you to join us on ours.

In this service of Holy Eucharist we give thanks to God and hear the Good News of Jesus Christ proclaimed. Educational programs afford parishioners of all ages the opportunity to engage their own beliefs and practices as well as those of others.

Empowered by God we go forth into the wider world to serve others in our lives, schools, and workplaces.

HAPPENING TODAY

VISIT: Stick around after the service and introduce yourself to a friendly-looking stranger.

STEWARDSHIP BRUNCH: Join us in the parish hall after the service today for the Annual Stewardship Brunch. There will be plenty of food and all are welcome!

SANDWICHES: Help make sandwiches for Loaves and Fishes after the service. Just come to the kitchen and join us!

YOUTH GROUP: All middle and high school youth are invited to youth group today from 5 to 6:30pm with Priscilla Hooper. We'll enjoy dinner and an activity. All are welcome so invite a friend to join you!

PRELUDE *Choralvorspiel on "Ein Feste Burg"* Georg Philipp Telemann (1681-1767)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 372 *Praise to the living God!* Leoni

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

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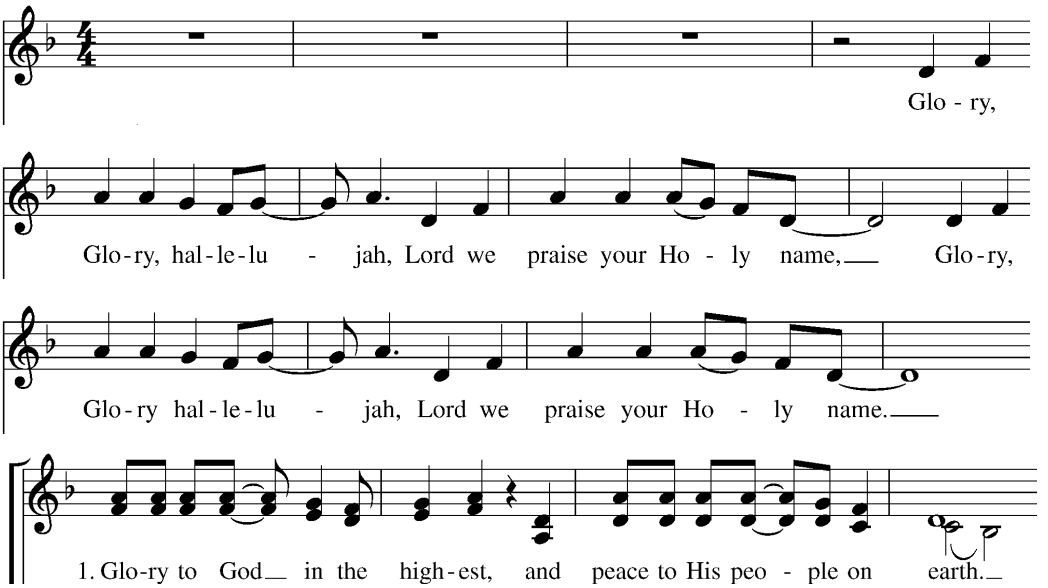

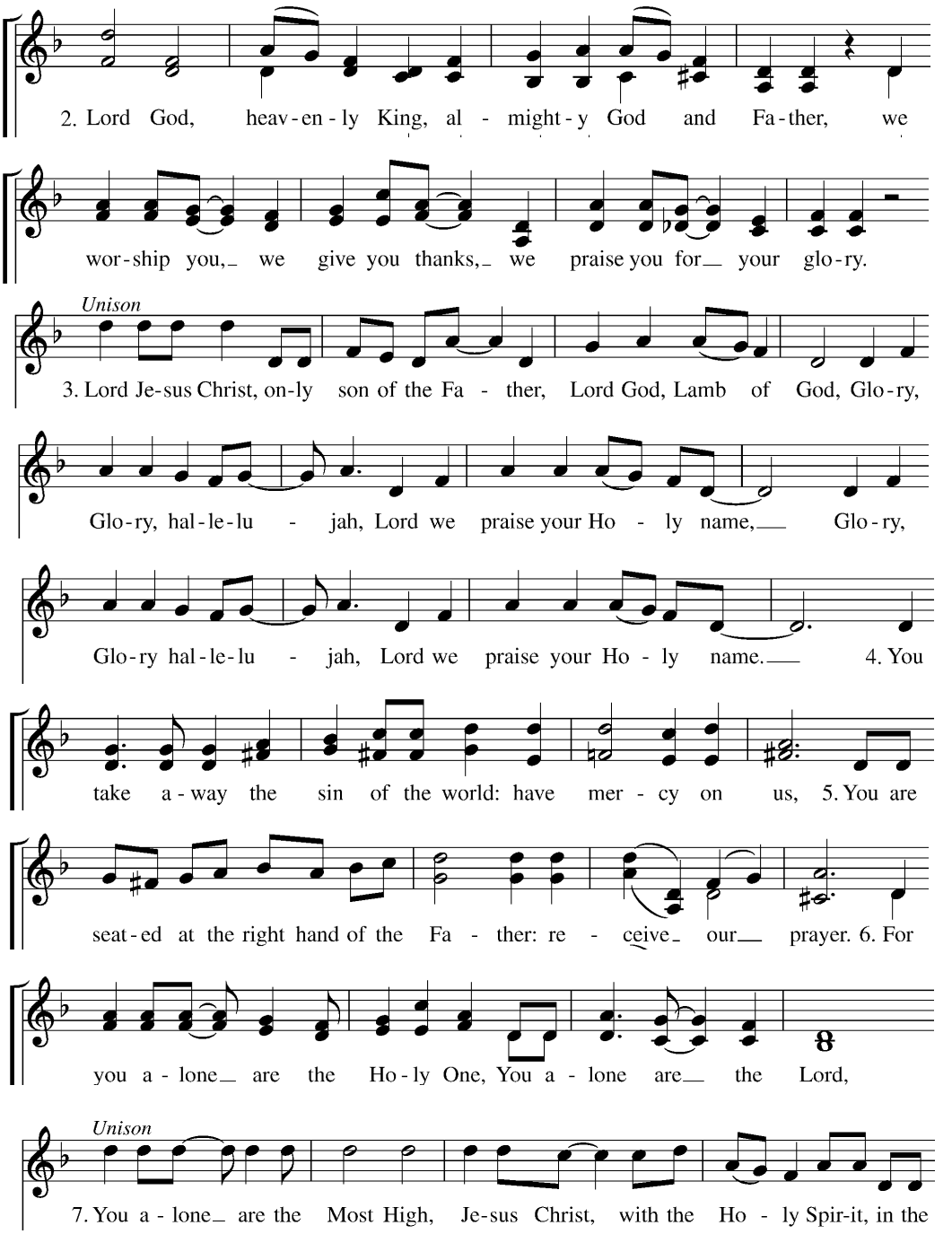
2. Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa-ther, we
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.
Unison
3. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, Glo-ry,
Glo-ry, hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name, Glo-ry,
Glo-ry hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name. 4. You
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us, 5. You are
seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. 6. For
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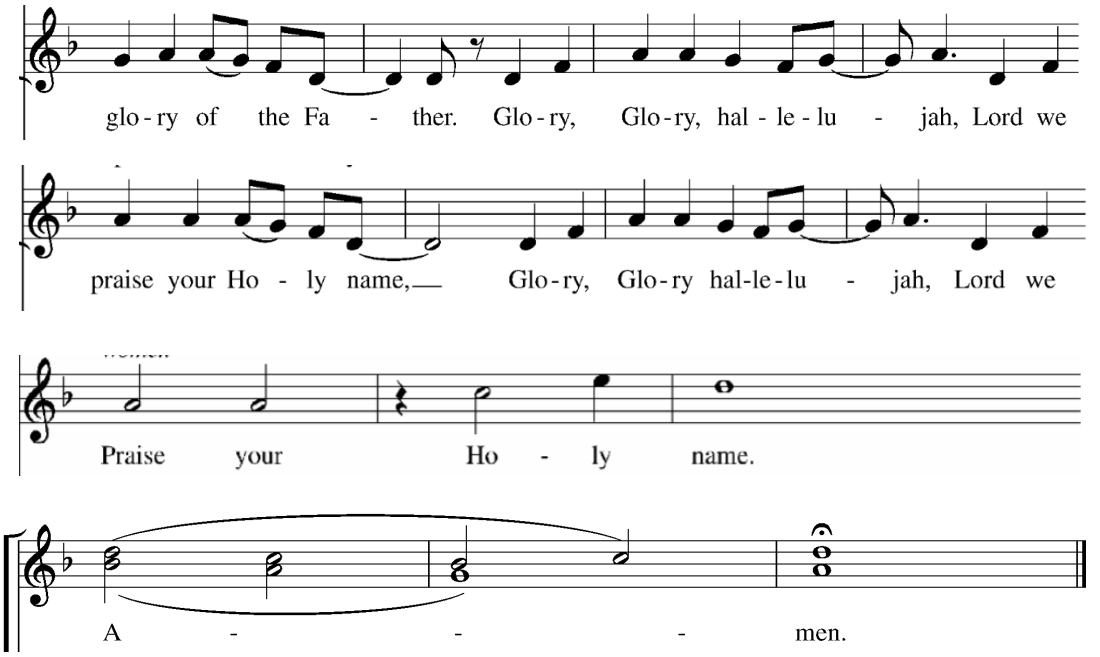

Title: Glory, glory, hallelujah Music: Carl Haywood (b. 1949) from Mass for Grace
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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray. Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
People **Amen.**

The people sit

THE LESSON *2 Thessalonians 3:6-13*

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not

idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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

CANTICLE 9 *(sung by the choir)*
The First Song of Isaiah (12:2-6) Ecce Deus

Surely, it is God who saves me; *
I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *
and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *
from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, *
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; *
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *
and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

SEQUENCE HYMN 687 *A mighty fortress is our God* Ein feste Burg

THE GOSPEL *Luke 21:5-19*

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, `I am he!' and, `The time is near!' Do not go after them. "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The people sit

THE SERMON *The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III*

The people stand

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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Gracious God, we pray for your holy catholic Church;
People **That we all may be one.**

Almighty God, whose loving hand has given us all that we possess, grant us the grace to honor you with our substance. Grant us the courage and commitment to be faithful in our giving. Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

May we, as the Body of Christ in our life together, do things only for the glory of God. We pray for Sean our presiding bishop, Jeff and Laura our bishops, our parish clergy; and all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

May we be people of word and action as we support relief for the world's poor and homeless; for the unemployed and the under-employed. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in all the nations of the world. Remembering especially Donald, the president of the United States.
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

We pray for the end of violence everywhere; remembering especially victims of gun violence and those who love them. We pray for all whose lives have been devastated by natural disaster and political strife. We pray for the people of Palestine, Israel, and Ukraine, and the protection of innocent life everywhere. We pray for safety in our daily lives. Guide us to be reconcilers for peace and justice at home and in the world. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We pray for all who have died, especially Paul Mangiafico on the anniversary of his death. We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We pray for those youth and children celebrating birthdays.

We pray for our parish, our extended parish family, our needs, and those of others.

We invite you to offer your own prayers silently or aloud.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

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

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

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of Christ.

Welcome & Announcements

If you would like to make an online offering to the Mission and Ministry of God through the work of the people of St. James's, please use this QR code. *Thank you! Your generosity is greatly appreciated.*

The Liturgy of the Table

At the Offertory *E'en So, Lord Jesus Quickly Come* Paul Manz (1919-2009)

Written in 1953 during a time when composer Paul Manz's young son was gravely ill, E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come is both a prayer and a proclamation of hope. The text, written by Manz's wife Ruth and drawn from Revelation 22, expresses deep trust in God's promise of peace and renewal: "Peace be to you and grace from Him who freed us from our sins."

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

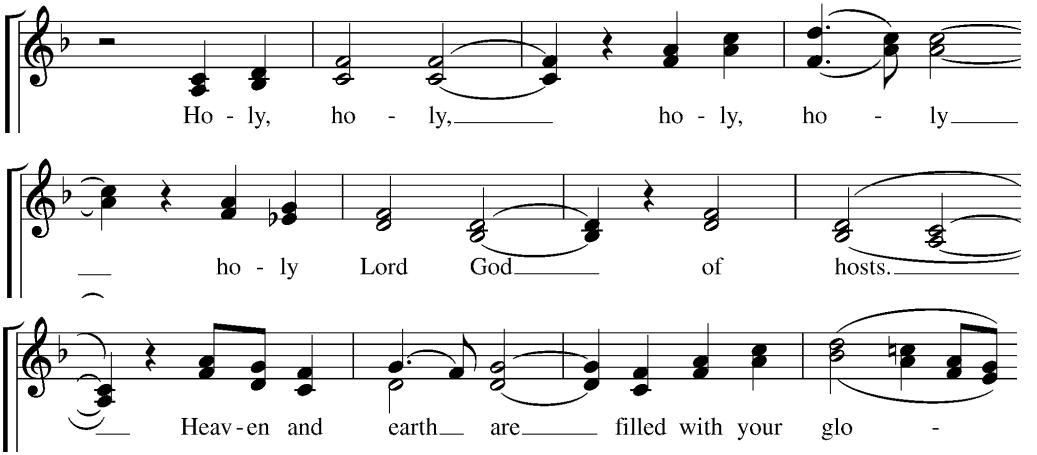
Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

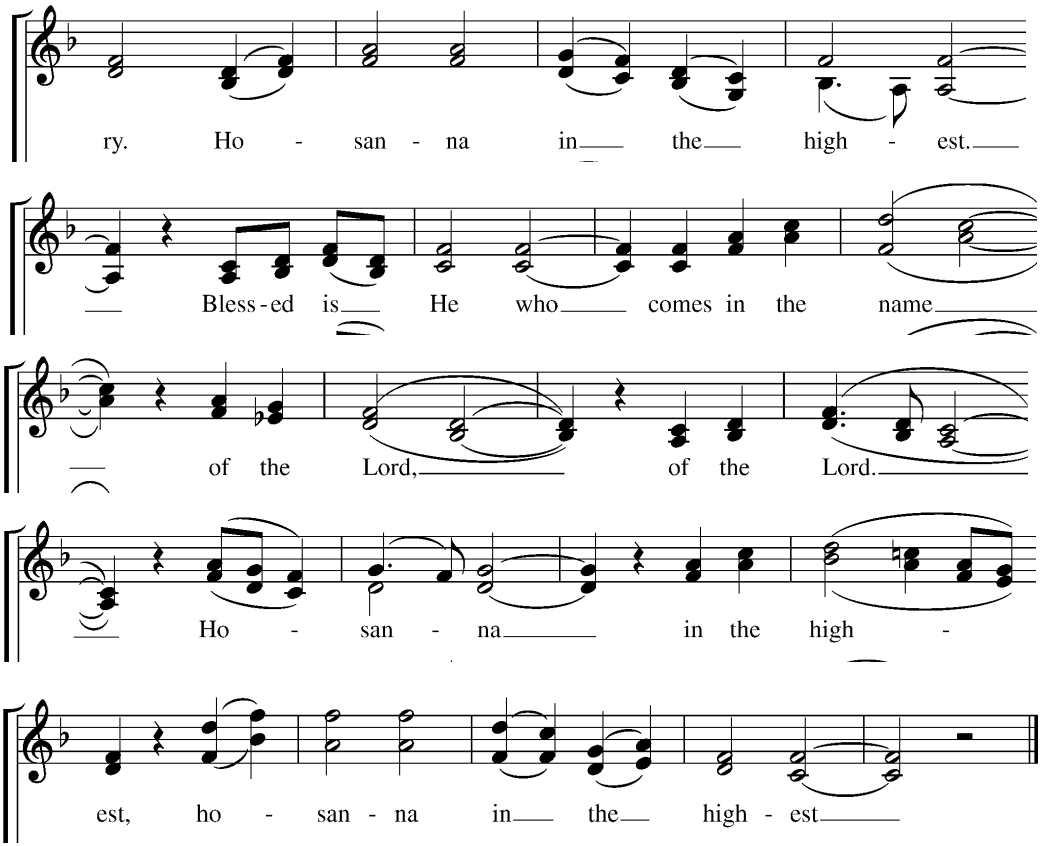
People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:





Title: Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts: Sanctus Music: Grayson Warren Brown (b. 1948), A Mass for a Soulful People
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Celebrant continues:

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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." Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant Lord God of our Fathers; and Mothers; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

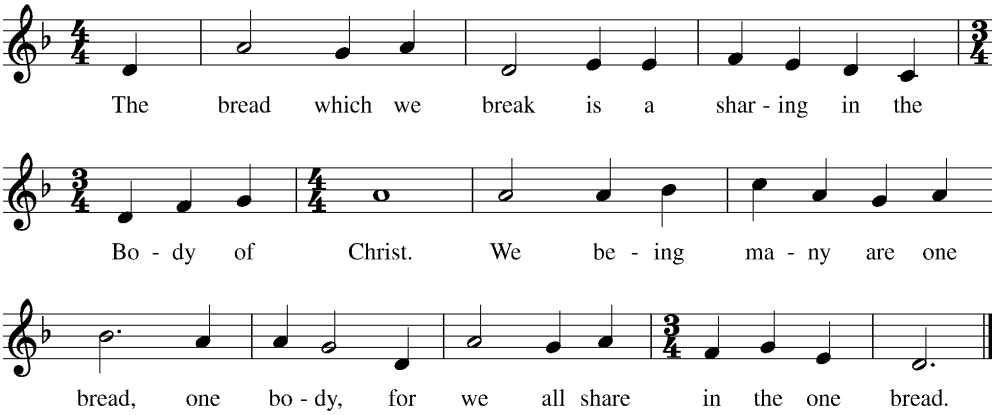
People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray·

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION



Title: The bread which we break is a sharing Music: Carl Haywood (b. 1949), from Fraction Anthems, Canticles, and Chants
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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 to receive Holy Communion.

COMMUNION MUSIC *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* Scriven/Converse
Quartet: Lindsay Fawber, Claire Burnett, John Waterman, Bob Burnett arr. David Angerman (b. 1955)

What a Friend We Have in Jesus was originally written in 1855 by Irish-born poet Joseph Medlicott Scriven to comfort his mother, whose health was failing. The text was later discovered and set to music in 1868 by American composer Charles Crozat Converse, eventually making it into countless hymnals around the world.

What a Friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged, take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness, Take it to the Lord in prayer.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

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

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 372 *All my hope on God is founded* Michael

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *Marche-Triomphale on "Nun Danket Alle Gott" Op. 65* Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

Sigfrid Karg-Elert was a German composer, organist, and harmonium virtuoso whose music bridges the late Romantic and early modern periods. A contemporary of Reger and Debussy, he absorbed both the harmonic richness of German Romanticism and the coloristic freedom of French Impressionism. Educated at the Leipzig Conservatory, Karg-Elert became known for his ability to evoke orchestral textures from the organ.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT & PREACHER – The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III
THE ST. JAMES'S ADULT CHOIR
QUARTET – Lindsay Fawber, Claire Burnett, John Waterman, Bob Burnett
ORGANIST & DIRECTOR OF MUSIC – Michelle Horsley
CHALICE BEARERS – Jennifer Otto, Matt Schott
LECTOR – Bob Smith / **INTERCESSOR** – Ellen Dollar
ACOLYTES – Ryder Morton, Camden Jacobs, Wesley Otto
USHERS – Mike Shuey, Ted Newton, Daniel and Ellen Dollar
LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR – Adam Fisher
ALTAR GUILD – Elizabeth Gallegos, Diane Hunter

STEWARDSHIP 2026 THANK YOU!

The following parishioners have pledged for 2026 as of November 13.
Names in italics are New Pledgers!

Richard M. Wenner, Robert Sedivy, Judy Lawes, Bruce & Donna Tompkins, Molly James, Katherine & Halsted James, Matthew Pinckney & Liisa Kuhn, Robert Roggeveen, Paul & Diane Duva, Douglass Compton, Priscilla Thomas, Brad & Liz Normand, Tom & Sue Sweeney, Bob & Priscilla Hooper, Doug & Ann Cooke, Greg & Judy Hock, Jocelyn Ehn, Mayrita Trojanowski, Richard Buika, Matthew & Jamie Hale, Kenneth & Susan Gutierrez, Ron Coons, Bob & Carolee Ziegenhagen, Joan Kayser, Ken & Eileen Jackson, Dean & Ann Uphoff, Andrew Reynolds & Karin Zadzilko, Bob & Renée McCue, Bill & Nora Harris, David & Elizabeth Meehan, Sandra DeCelles, John & Cheryl Wadsworth, Bill & Judith Thompson, Diane Mack & Robin Gilmartin, Sue Nelson, Borden Painter, Mike Shuey, Kimberly Goodrich, Mark Moyle, Nick & Lauren Forcello, Curtis Roessler, John & Brenda Barrows, Rachael Desmond, Jeffrey Lankin & Janet Kendall, Franklin & Angie Dempsey, Jerome & Mary Baier, David & Virginia Kramer, Jerrod & Maureen Bowman, Adam Fisher & Abby Williamson, Tyler & Courtney Smith, John & Frances Bergquist.

Prayer List

The entire Prayer List is read during the course of the week. If you would like someone to be added, contact the office: info@stjameswh.org or 860-521-9620.

THOSE IN OUR PARISH FAMILY Jeffrey, Greg, Michael, Elly, Chuck, Sue, Will, Tom, Chris, Rachael, Eileen, Nancy Jo, Fran.

THOSE IN OUR EXTENDED PARISH FAMILY Jeff, Joanie, Audra, Ann, Patricia, Carrie, John & Rita, Tavern, Mohan, Barbara, Hudson, Guy, Stephen, Clark, Sydney, Clare, Leo, Denise, Javier, Janet, Sue & Claudia, Larry, Gretchen, Denise, Jocelyn, Forrest, Laticia, Suzanne, Karen J., Charlie & Jean, Linda.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED Remembering especially Paul Mangiafico on the anniversary of his death. *May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace; let light perpetual shine upon them. AMEN.*

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for the Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria.

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER St. Paul's, Windham; Grace Church, Windsor; Grace Church, Yantic. Ministries with older adults; the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and the Daughters of the King.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark.

BIRTHDAYS

Announcements

HEALING PRAYERS AT COMMUNION

St. James's Healing Ministry will offer healing prayers at the 9:30 service on **Sunday, November 23** and every second and fourth Sunday of the month. If you would like healing ministers to pray with you and for you during a time of challenge or discernment, come to one of the two stations at the back of the church after receiving the Eucharist. If you would like to participate or have questions about becoming a healing prayer minister, please email Cheri Evans: cheriev98@gmail.com.

NURSERY CARE

Nursery Care will be available **today** during the 9:30 service. We will continue with

KFC (Kids of Christ) during the 9:30 service as well. Please feel free to contact Priscilla at education@stjameswh.org with any questions.

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE
Holy Eucharist will be celebrated on **Thanksgiving Day, November 27**, at 10am in the chapel. Let us join together and give thanks for God's many blessings.

WOMEN OF ST. JAMES'S LUNCHEON
The WOSJ invite you to their next luncheon on **Tuesday, November 18** at 12:00 in the Dining Room. The guest speaker will be the Rev. Bob Hooper, rector. His topic: *Mission Trip to Ecuador*. A hot luncheon will be provided by Cindy Welch. If you cannot come for the lunch, please just come for the speaker at 1:00!

WINTER COAT COLLECTION
Once again, Doug Compton is collecting winter coats for those in need. Please consider donating your gently used or new winter coats for the St. James's winter coat collection which will run through Thanksgiving. Just place them in the cloister or bring them to the parish office during office hours. Thank you!

COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS
Volunteers are still needed to prepare coffee, bake and/or buy snacks, set up before, and clean up afterward. A second person makes hosting twice as much fun, so invite someone to join you! Hosts will receive instructions ahead of their assigned shift. If you can't host, please consider contributing a homemade or store-bought baked good, fruit, or other food item. Please indicate what you are bringing in the "My Comment" section of the sign-up so the host(s) can plan accordingly. Thanks in advance to everyone for your faithful support of our Sunday fellowship. Questions, contact Mary Goeldner at marykirkg@gmail.com. Sign up at www.stjwh.org/coffee.

HCW THANKSGIVING NEEDS
Once again, St. James's is helping to provide our friends at the Hartford Catholic Worker with food donations for Thanksgiving dinners. Food needed: **Gravy, shelf-stable pies, stuffing mix, onions, carrots, sweet potatoes and celery.** Please drop off your donations to the church no later than **Sunday, November 23**. You may also give a monetary donation to cover the cost of food. Cash donations can be made by check, cash, or through stjwh.org/3Wsowws or by using the QR code.

CHRISTMAS BAG MISSION PROJECT

Our collection of men's boot socks and toiletries has begun and will run through Sunday, November 30. **Items needed: Men's heavy boot socks (no dress socks, please), travel-size shaving cream (3 oz), travel-size shampoo (3 oz), travel-size deodorant, small combs, chapstick, travel-size toothpaste, and bars of soap.** Drop items off at the church. Join us on **Sunday, November 30** after the 9:30 service in the Parish Hall to help fill the bags. This is a much appreciated outreach project as most often the Christmas Bags are the only gifts these men will receive. Candy canes, too!

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR PARKVILLE CHILDREN

Once again, St. James's will be assisting Grace Episcopal Church, Hartford, by purchasing Christmas gifts for the children of the Parkville section of Hartford. At the end of October, we will receive the names of families who use the Food Pantry at Grace. Each family will list the names and ages of their children plus a 'Wish List' of gifts from each child. Members of St. James's purchase a couple of gifts for each child and return them unwrapped to the church. They will be delivered to Grace Church for distribution. Last year, parishioners from St. James's contributed over 700 Christmas gifts to the children of Parkville! This is a wonderful outreach ministry that is easy to do and means so much to so many. Please contact Ruth Mitman if you are willing to help: 860-561-1594 or mitmangroup@comcast.net.

ST. JAMES'S "EMBRACE" MINISTRY

The Embrace Ministry invites people into God's love through acts big and small. Weekly phone calls, cards/letters, friendly visits to those unable to leave home, or help with light chores or transportation are all ways we may be of help. If you are a parishioner or know of a parishioner who may benefit from our ministry, please contact Susan Ritz (860-904-8588) or Marilyn Thomlinson (860-372-1193).

MEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP

A group of men from Saint James's and a few from other churches meet twice monthly on the second and fourth Saturdays for about an hour beginning at 8:00 am in the parish room for discussion of topics related to religion or ethics. Typically, the discussion is led by one of the group members. The discussion group meets next on **Saturday, November 22**. Bob Burnett chairs the group. Interested? Contact him at robert.burnett@comcast.net for further info. Coffee and other refreshments are provided at each meeting.

CHEF MINISTRY

CHEF Ministry for expanding/changing/evolving families! This is chance for the St. James's family to help "feed their sheep". Thank you to all of the wonderful volunteer chefs who cook on demand. If you know of any family that is welcoming a new family member (not just a birth!) or having a life event where they might need a bit of support (taking care of a loved one, dealing with a loss, etc.) please let Martha Parish know so that CHEF Ministry can reach out and provide a meal or three. Please email or text so a member of our church family can help out and ease the burden. mach1goon@gmail.com, 978-505-1333.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS (please notice additions)

As we are expanding our feeding ministry to include new communities, St. James's is asking for donations for the following items for local food pantries: **tuna fish, mayo, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, bags or boxes of pasta, canned hearty stews, oil, masa harina (instant corn flour), rice, dried beans, cereal, shelf stable milk (like Parmalat) and sugar.** Donations can be left in the cloister Monday through Friday 9a-4p. After hours: please place donations in the blue rubber bin. Monetary donations are accepted to help purchase items. Just note "Food Pantry" in memo.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

AA meetings convene in the dining room Mondays and Thursdays at 10am, Monday through Friday at 7am, and Saturdays at 7pm.

CLERGY VISITATION

If you or a loved one would like a member of the clergy to visit you at home or in the hospital, please contact the clergy at rector@stjameswh.org.

MEET THE BLANK PAGE & THE QUEEN!

From now until showtime, each week we'll be introducing various characters of our upcoming original musical, Theoretta & the Dissonants. This week, we highlight The Blank Page and The Queen.

The Blank Page is the last and strangest creature our little ants meet in their journey outside the colony. By now, we have arrived at truly experimental music, which may or may not have any rhythm, harmony, or even notes! The Blank Page is based on John Cage, a famous composer and philosopher perhaps best known by his statement piece, 4'33" which is exactly 4 minutes and 33 seconds of silence. But is it really silence? Perhaps you'll hear the sound of traffic outside, the wind or birds through windows, scattered coughs among the audience, the sound of your own breathing... After all, if someone like Rothko can fill a canvas with a single color and Picasso can paint portraits with sideways mouths and three noses, who's to say what's music and what's not? Maybe a blank page isn't really blank and silence isn't really silence?

The Blank Page will be played by Mark Moyle.

Every ant colony has a queen and ours is particularly special. The Consonants believe they have been deputized by the queen to enforce musical rules in the colony, but maybe they were never really rules? After all, anyone who has studied traditional music theory knows that you first must learn all the rules we associate with the music of Mozart, Bach, etc. (no parallel fifths or octaves, leading tone must resolve, harmonic progressions have to include tonic/dominant relations, etc.). Then, we learn how all these rules can be broken! The queen reveals the true story of the colony - one of guidelines instead of rules - just as she reveals the truth about good leadership, which involves listening to others and welcoming differences - something that applies to the beautiful diversity in our music as well as our world.

The Queen will be played by Lindsay Fawber.

St. James's Flower Guild

If you love arranging flowers or would like to learn, here is a new way to be involved in the liturgical life of the parish. Beginning Sunday, November 2 every member of St. James's who feels called to share their creative gifts can sign up to arrange the altar flowers for one or more upcoming Sundays. For those interested in participating but who would benefit from instruction, there will be opportunities for both design classes and one-on-one guidance. **Visit to Hartford Florists: Tuesday, Nov 18 or Thursday, Nov 20 at 11:30a with Mary Ann. Signup using link below.**

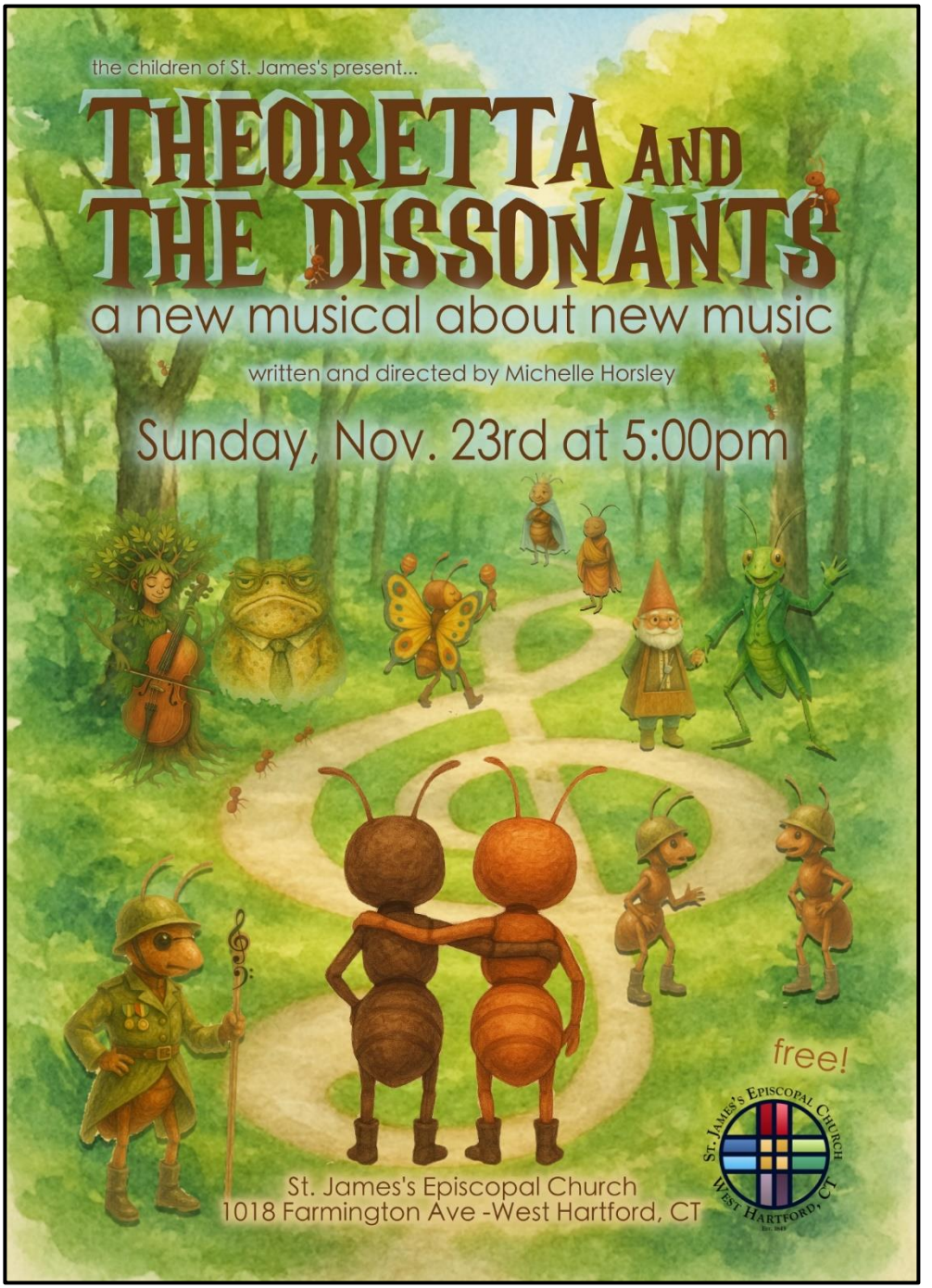
Please sign up for the Sundays you would like to arrange the altar flowers. There are two slots available for each Sunday: one for a leader and one for a learner. If you prefer to work alone, that is also welcome. **You can sign up by clicking on this link: www.stjwh.org/flowerguild**. Please note there are no flowers during Advent; Christmas flowers are a team effort.

Responsibilities:

- **Order cut flowers** seven days before the Saturday you will be arranging the altar flowers. Flowers should be ordered from Hartford Florist Supply (all necessary information will be provided upon request.)
- **St. James's has an account** with Hartford Florist Supply and will cover the cost.
- **Pick up flowers** from Hartford Florist Supply before 10:00 a.m. on Saturday morning. In Fall/Winter, please pick up on Friday before 3:00 p.m. or before closing.
- **Arrange flowers** in the church sacristy on Saturday.
- **All necessary supplies** are available at the church.
- **Place finished arrangements** in both the church and the chapel.

Gifts from Jerusalem Olivewood Carvings and Sacred Souvenirs for Sale at St. James's Sunday, November 23

ADVENT is a perfect time to purchase beautiful gifts from the Holy Land and support a family fleeing political instability and violence in the Middle East. Ihab and Samah Awad have moved their two sons from Bethlehem to Connecticut, intending to earn a living selling olivewood carvings as Christian families from the Holy Land have for centuries. Carvings and other sacred souvenirs, each one a symbol of Christ's life, death, and resurrection, will be for sale on November 23 after the 9:30 service in the parish hall.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SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY EUCHARIST
8 a.m. in the chapel
9:30 a.m. in the church

WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST
7 a.m. in the chapel
(Breakfast served in the parish room following the service)

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