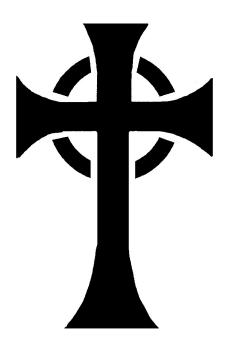
ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST September 4, 2022 HOLY EUCHARIST ~ 9:30 AM IN THE MEMORIAL GARDEN

Welcome! We're glad you found your way to St. James' today.

Please sign our guest book to receive information about the mission & ministry of this community.

GATHERING

Prelude: *Nothing but the Blood of Jesus*Robert Lowry, arr. Marianne Kim

Welcome

Acclamation

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God. **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Collect for Purity

Let us pray.

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.

Song of Praise Kyrie

Lord, have mercy, **Christ, have mercy.** Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

May God be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

WORD

A reading from the book of Jeremiah

Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love-- and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother-- especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

LORD, you have searched me out and known me; *

you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar. You trace my journeys and my resting-places *

and are acquainted with all my ways.

Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *

but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

You press upon me behind and before * and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *

it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

For you yourself created my inmost parts; *

you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *

your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

My body was not hidden from you, *

while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;

all of them were written in your book; *

they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.

How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *

how great is the sum of them!

If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; * to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

Gospel Alleluia Halle, Halle, Halle

Marty Haugen

All standing, as able



The Holy Gospel

Luke 14:25-33

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

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to

build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

The Gospel of Christ **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Homily The Rev. Mary Davisson

The Nicene Creed

All standing as able

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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, 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.

You may be seated

Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

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

For this community, the nation, and the world;

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

For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

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

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

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

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

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Eugene and Robert our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. You are invited to name, silently or aloud, prayers of intercession and thanksgiving.

A Sabbatical Praver

Guide us, Lord, as we all journey through the months ahead together. Help us to walk trustingly in faith with our parish family and to serve one another humbly. May we always be aware of your presence and direction in all we do. Be with Kristin+, Zachary, and Jasper and give them joy and contentment as they travel, and return them safely to us. Amen.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession

Let us confess our sins to God.

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.

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 Exchange of Peace

May the peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of Christ.

Welcome & Announcements

Back to School Blessing - Go out in joy, be led back in peace

God as we start a new school year we have many thoughts and feelings. We may be excited, nervous, happy, uncertain, or some combination of all these things. Help us, we pray, to have joy and peace in our minds and hearts as we start this new year. Make us kind and compassionate toward fellow students, teachers, and friends.

Let us pray.

On the way to school,

I will look for things that bring me joy.

When arriving in my classroom,

I will greet my teacher and classmates with joy.

When my schoolwork feels too hard,

I will take deep breaths to find peace and ask for help.

When it's time for recess,

I will delight in the joy of the Lord.

When I notice a friend feeling sad,

I will be a beacon of God's joy.

When I feel overwhelmed or scared,

I will look for ways to receive Christ's peace.

When I go to sleep at night after another day of learning,

I will thank God for leading me out with joy and covering me with peace.

Together we pray:

O God, our lives are in your hand: Look on us with favor, we pray, as we begin another year. Grant that we may grow in wisdom and grace. Lead us into joy and peace. And help us to trust in your goodness all the days of our lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thanksgivings of the Community

You are invited to offer public thanks for the movement of God's Spirit in your own life: thanks for a birthday, an anniversary, a new job, and unexpected act of compassion, or another grace-filled moment in your life. We close this time with the following prayer:

O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they mark this day. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

TABLE

Please place your offering in the plate when you come forward to receive communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 2, Enriching Our Worship

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

Sanctus & Benedictus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with James and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN**.

The Lord's Prayer

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

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 Breaking of the Bread

A profound silence is kept

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Holy food for holy people.

The Communion of the People

All who seek Christ are welcome at God's table.

We offer both wheat and gluten free wafers; inform the priest of your preference.

If you wish to receive the wine our practice is drinking from the common cup, not intinction.

If you are not receiving communion today you are invited to silently pray

the Prayer for Spiritual Communion found below.

Music at Communion *Jesus Is All the World to Me*

Will Thompson, arr. Marianne Kim

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Episcopal Prayer Book for the Armed Forces (1988)

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

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.

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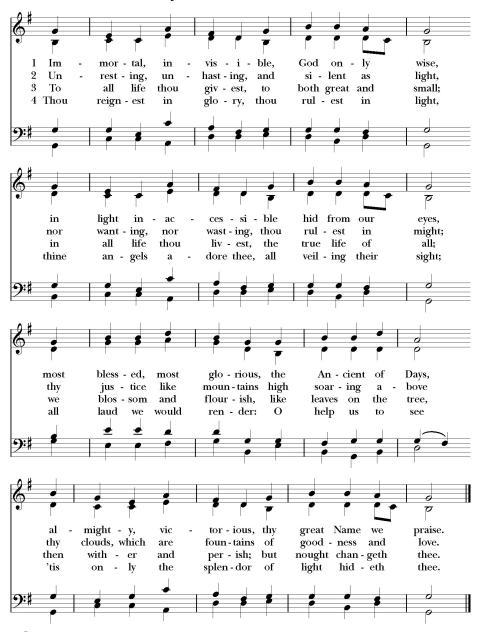
The Blessing

Henri-Frédéric Amiel

Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and go in peace to love and serve the Lord, in the name of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Hymn Immortal, Invisible, God only wise

St. Denio



Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Please welcome our guest celebrant, The Rev. Mary Davisson, for the remainder of our sabbatical time.

Mary Thomsen Davisson grew up in Baltimore. After doing undergraduate work at Brown, completing a Ph.D. in Classics at Berkeley, and teaching two years at U.Va., she returned to Baltimore with her husband. Here they raised their three children while she continued to teach at Loyola University and publish scholarly articles about Latin poetry.

Mary received her M.Div. from Virginia Theological Seminary in 2004, was ordained to the diaconate, and was appointed Assistant Director of the Baltimore International Seafarers' Center. In 2005, she was ordained to the priesthood and became Director of BISC. During her tenure there, she was privileged to work with a dedicated group of volunteers and part-time chaplains, visiting and transporting up to 20-some cargo crews each week, as well as addressing pastoral and advocacy needs. Mary retired from BISC on June 30.

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Ioin the Choir!

The choir is excited to be returning from our summer siesta with lots of exciting music planned for Fall 2022! Our first Sunday service with a full choir will be September 11th, and we can't wait to make music together again!

Do you know what makes us even more excited? You! Come join us on Wednesdays at 7:15p, beginning August 10th! No experience necessary—we have sing-a-long tracks to help you get started!

September 4, 2022, 9:30 am The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost				
Celebrant	The Rev. Mary Davis	son		
Ushers	Cory DelRegno			
Reader	Mike Henyon			
Chalice	Jeannie Pellicier			
Livestream	Vic Pellicier			
Altar Guild	Jeannie Pellicier			
Coffee Hour	Joan Fader			
Counters	Annie Horrigan	Vic Pellicier		

Calendar This Week	Office Hou	ırs: TuesThurs. 10am to 4 pm.
Monday, September 5	Office Closed for Holiday	
Tuesday, September 6	4:30 pm	CPR Class
Wednesday, September 7	7:15 pm	Choir
Thursday, September 8	7:00 pm	NA—Lower Level
Friday, September 9	6:00 pm	BSA 829
NEXT SUNDAY September 11		
Fall Kick Off	8:30 am	Holy Eucharist — The Rev. Mary Davisson
The Fourteenth Sunday after	9:30 am	Fall Kick Off Get-Together w/Cle Doree Pastries
Pentecost—Proper 19	10:30 am	Holy Eucharist w/Music
		Livestreamed - The Rev. Mary Davisson
	11:30 am	Fall Kick Off Get-Together w/sandwiches

Prayer Rotation

Please join the **Daughters of the King** in praying for each parishioner in rotation during 2022 by taking this notice home and by posting it where it will remind you pray to on a daily basis for the needs and blessings of:

Ernie and Sharon Hansen Mike and Chris Henyon (McKenna, Brenna, Kaley) Andy and Annie Horrigan (Jack, Nora)

A member of the Daughters of the King will be contacting you this week for special prayer requests.









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The mission of the churches of the Diocese of Maryland is to ENCOUNTER Christ everywhere and ENGAGE in God's mission of reconciliation in the world.

This Week's Commemorations (A Great Cloud of Witnesses, 2019, Church Publishing Group)

- 4 Paul Jones, 1941
- 5 Gregorio Aglipay, Priest and Founder of the Philippine Independent Church, 1940
- 7 Elie Naud, Huguenot Witness to the Faith, 1722
- 8 Nikolai Grundtvig, Bishop and Hymnwriter, 1872 or Søren Kierkegaard, Teacher
- 9 Constance, Nun, and Her Companions, 1878
- 10 Alexander Crummell, 1898

Lectionary readings for The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Year C, RCL)

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 Psalm 14 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10

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