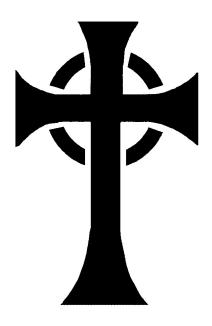
## St. James' Episcopal Church

1307 North Main Street, Mount Airy, Maryland

**ENCOUNTER Christ ~ ENGAGE the World** 



# THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST November 13, 2022 HOLY EUCHARIST 8:30 AM AND 10:30 AM

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

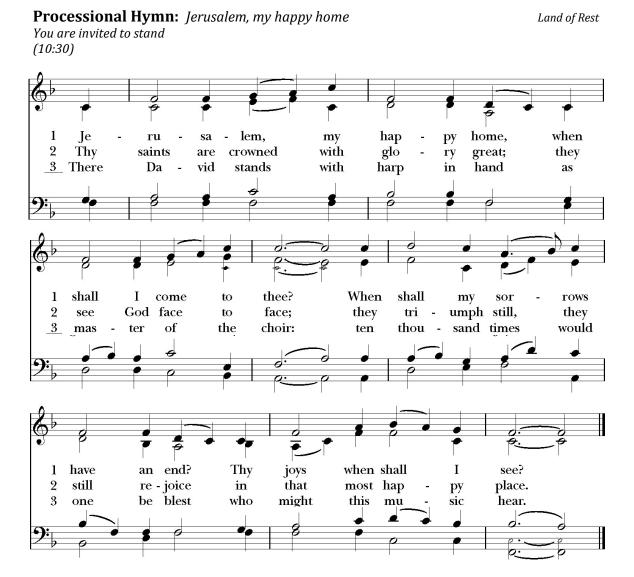
Activity sheets for young children are available from an usher.

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

#### St. James' WiFi password on both levels is NorthMain.

We are on Facebook and invite you to check in or use your favorite social media app to let your friends know you are here today!

#### **GATHERING**



#### Welcome

#### Acclamation

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

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

#### **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**

(8:30)

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy upon us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### The Collect of the Day

May God be with you. **And also with you.** 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. **Amen.** 

#### WORD

#### A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

Isaiah 65:17-25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD--and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent-- its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Canticle 9 Isaiah 12:2-6

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.

#### **A Reading from the Second Letter to the Thessalonians** 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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### Gospel Alleluia Celtic Alleluia

You are invited to stand (10:30)

Walker/O'Carroll



#### The Holy Gospel

You are invited to stand Luke 21:5-19

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

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."

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

**The Sermon**The Rev. Kristin Krantz

#### The Nicene Creed

You are invited to stand

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.

#### **Prayers of the People**

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

For the church universal, its ministry, and the mission of the gospel; may we be faithful to God's word. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** 

For the well-being of creation; for those who work in the fields, for seasonable weather, and for the equitable sharing of the fruits of the earth. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** 

For peace and justice in the world, and for those in authority; may we all work for the common good. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** 

For the poor, oppressed, sick, bereaved, and lonely; let us be beacons of God's love and compassion to bring them comfort. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** 

For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; may they know God's presence in their distress. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** 

Here other intercessions are offered.

*Celebrant* Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.** 

#### Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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 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.

#### **Announcements**

#### 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.

#### **Stewardship Pledge Consecration**

#### **TABLE**

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

#### The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, The Book of Common Prayer

You are invited to stand

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.

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

The Celebrant prays the proper preface.

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 & 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.

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.

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

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.** 

#### 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

This is the bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world. **Whoever eats this bread will live forever.** 

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 a blessing please come forward and cross your arms over your chest.
If you are not receiving communion today you are invited to silently pray
the Prayer for Spiritual Communion found below.

#### A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

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

Episcopal Prayer Book for the Armed Forces (1988)

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.** 

#### **Prayer after Communion**

You are invited to stand

Let us pray.

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.

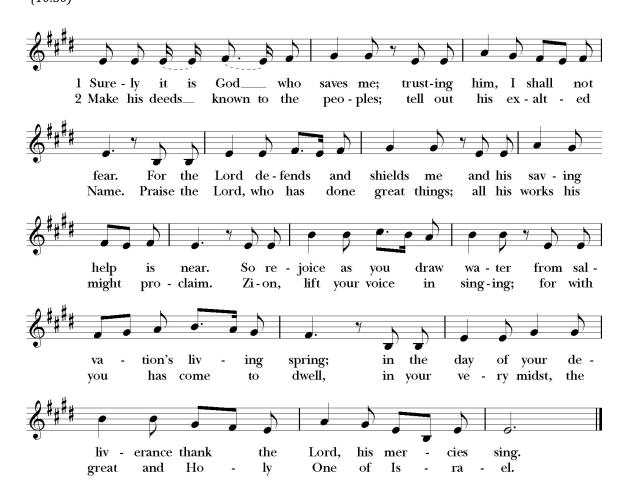
#### **SENDING**

The Blessing Celtic Blessing

May Christ the Good Shepherd enfold us with love, fill us with peace, and lead us in hope, this day and all our days, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.** 

**Hymn:** Surely it is God who saves me (10:30)

**Thomas Merton** 



#### **Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve God and your neighbor.

Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!

November 13, 2022				
The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost				
Celebrant	The Rev. Kristin Krantz			
Altar Guild	Jeannie Pellicier			
Counters	Annie Horrigan	Vic Pellicier		
	8:30 am	<u>10:30 am</u>		
Ushers	Cheri McClanahan	Jim Bullington		
Reader	Peter Sabonis	Gail Wolfe		
Chalice	Peter Sabonis	Jeannie Pellicier		
Coffee Hour	Dave Rak	Gabby Markham		
Livestream		Vic Pellicier		

Calendar This Week	Office Hours: MonThurs. 10am to 4 pm.	
TODAY SUNDAY November 13	8:30 am	Holy Eucharist
The Twenty-third Sunday after	9:30 am	Sunday School
Pentecost—Proper 28	10:30 am	Holy Eucharist w/Music & Livestream
Tuesday, November 15	3:00 pm	Girls Scouts #5099
	7:00 pm	Vestry Meeting
Thursday, November 17	7:00 pm	NA—Lower Level
Friday, November 18	6:00 pm	BSA 829
NEXT SUNDAY November 20		
The Twenty-fourth Sunday after	8:30 am	Holy Eucharist
Pentecost—Proper 29	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Holy Eucharist w/Music & Livestream
	11:45 am	Pilgrimage to the Holy Land—Pictures &
		Reflections—the Rev. Kristin Krantz+

#### **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:

David and Heather Peters (Amber, Connor) William and Karen Phillips Cody and Erin Pond (Finn)

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



# The First Sunday of Advent

Sunday, November 27th at 9:30 am

Make a wreath to celebrate Advent in your home and pick up devotional resources





## Giving and Receiving

When I visited Israel a few years ago, one of the highlights was seeing a scale model of Jerusalem before the Temple was destroyed. This is probably what the city looked like during Jesus' time. There, right in the center, was the Temple. When the guide started explaining how it was decorated, using some of the descriptions in our Gospel reading for today, I was struck with how the people of the day must have seen it, sitting on top of the hill in gleaming white stone with touches of gold. It really was spectacular, a fitting place for God to dwell.

Jesus foretold not only that this magnificent building would be razed to the ground, but that he, the earthly vessel of God, would be killed. As if that wasn't enough, Jesus told his followers that they would also be persecuted, betrayed, and even put to death. They would be hated because of Jesus. This would be enough for even his most dedicated followers to wonder what they were getting themselves into.

At the end of the narrative, though, Jesus provides comfort for them. Not a hair of their heads will perish. Their physical bodies may be harmed and destroyed, but they will gain their souls. In this apocalyptic description of what they might expect in the near term, they see that there is still

Questions For

Reflection:

When was a time when you

were expecting the worst but

were surprised by a pleasant

How might the words of Jesus

reassurance to us today when we face grim circumstances?

in the Gospel reading give

outcome instead?

Good News as Jesus promised. Jesus is offering us abundant life, even in the direct circumstances, although it might not be the type of life we're expecting.

It's hard to think of abundance during times of economic instability, partisanship, and conflicts. But abundance is what Jesus has promised. Why not step out in faith this year in gratitude and pledge an extra percent of your income?



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Holy Eucharist: 8:30 am, Sunday School: 9:30 am, Holy Eucharist w/Music: 10:30 am

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)

- 14 Samuel Seabury, First American Bishop, 1796
- Francis Asbury, 1816, and George Whitefield, 1770, Evangelists
- Margaret, Queen of Scotland, 1093
- Hugh, 1200, and Robert Grosseteste, 1253, Bishops of Lincoln
- Hilda, Abbess of Whitby, 680
- 19 Elizabeth, Princess of Hungary, 1231

Lectionary readings for Christ the King Sunday, November 20, 2022 (Year C, RCL)

Jeremiah 23:1-6 Canticle 16 Colossians 1:11-20 Luke 23:33-43

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