

St. James'
Episcopal Church
LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

THE HOLY EUCHARIST



FEBRUARY 1, 2026

10:00 A.M.

Founded in 1812

8 Cornwall St. N.W. (703)777-1124
Leesburg, Virginia 20176 stjamesleesburg.org

WELCOME

Whatever your religious background, and however you have come to be here, we're glad to have you join in our praises of God today. We hope you will feel comfortable here and fulfilled, and strengthened spiritually to meet the challenges of your daily life.

NURSERY AND CHILDREN'S FORMATION

Children are always welcome in worship! If needed, Nursery care is available beginning at 9:30. The Nursery is located through the front left doors of the sanctuary. Go through the Parish Hall and up the stairs – the Nursery is around the corner from the kitchen. Children's Formation students may arrive between 9:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. in the upstairs preschool classroom. Look for signs in the Narthex to guide you to the correct location! All children Pre-K through 5th grade are welcome. If you arrive late, please go ahead and join us! Children will return to the service before Communion.

ST. JAMES' SUNDAY VESTRY REPRESENTATIVE

The Vestry is composed of 12 elected church members who serve a 3-year term as leaders in the parish. The primary responsibilities of the Vestry are to help define and articulate the mission of the congregation, to support the church's mission by word and deed, to select the rector, to ensure effective organization and planning, and to manage resources and finances. A Vestry Representative will be in the back of the church before and after each service to answer questions and share more about the exciting things happening at St. James'.

Today's representative is Stacy Cleveland



THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE:

Organ Concerto in F Major

G. F. Handel

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION - 398

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

Forest Green



1 I sing the al-might - y power of God, that made the moun-tains rise,
2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;
3 There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes thy glo - ries known;



that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the lof - ty skies.
he formed the crea-tures with his Word, and then pro-nounced them good.
and clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy throne;



I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day;
Lord, how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,
while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,



the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.
if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
and ev - ery-where that I could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

Opening Acclamation

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

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE - S-280

Gloria (Canticle 20)

Robert Powell

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus



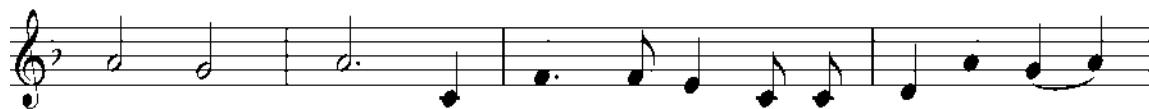
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



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 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,



you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most



High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the



glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The people are seated for the readings and the Psalm.

THE FIRST READING

MICAH 6:1-8

Read by Kathleen Hughes

Hear what the LORD says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,
and let the hills hear your voice.

Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD,
and you enduring foundations of the earth;
for the LORD has a controversy with his people,
and he will contend with Israel.

“O my people, what have I done to you?

In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;
and I sent before you Moses,
Aaron, and Miriam.

O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,
that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.”

“With what shall I come before the LORD,
and bow myself before God on high?

Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings,
with calves a year old?

Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,
with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the LORD require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Congregation is invited to join the choir in the singing of the psalm



- 1 Lord, who may dwell in your **tabernacle**? *
 who may abide upon your holy **hill**?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is **right**, *
 who speaks the truth from his **heart**.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his **friend**; *
 he does not heap contempt upon his **neighbor**.
- 4 In his sight the wicked is re-**jected**, *
 but he honors those who fear the **Lord**.
- 5 He has sworn to do no **wrong** *
 and does not take back his **word**.
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of **gain**, *
 nor does he take a bribe against the **innocent**.
- 7 Whoever does these **things** *
 shall never be over-**thrown**.

Read by Susan Moffett

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness

and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The people stand to sing the hymn, and remain standing for the Gospel.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE - 488

Be Thou My Vision, O Lord of My Heart

Slane



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,



all else be nought to me, save that thou art—
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!



thou my best thought,— by day or by night,
thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;
Heart of my heart,— what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

All children are invited to come forward at the invitation of the preacher

THE SERMON

THE REV. DR. CHAD T. MARTIN

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all, standing.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Led by Dave Hov

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 Bishop Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury; we pray for Presiding Bishop Sean, for our Bishops Mark, Gayle, and Mark; for our priests Chad and Marybeth, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons.

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Especially

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

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Especially

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Kneeling or standing as able.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A moment of silence.

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 PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and are then seated.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME VISITORS!



Please fill out a visitor card found in your pew row or follow the QR code to our digital visitor form so we can get to know you better. Cards can be placed in the offering plate or handed to an usher. We are so glad you chose to worship with us today.

ALTAR FLOWERS



Honor a loved one, remember a special individual in your life or in the life of our parish, or simply beautify our worship space by donating altar flowers. To sign up, scan the QR code (scroll down to Altar Flowers) or contact the church office 703-777-1124 and specify who the flowers honor.

THE OFFERTORY



The people remain seated while an offering is collected to support St. James' work of sharing God's love with the world. You may now make your offering by scanning the QR code on the left.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

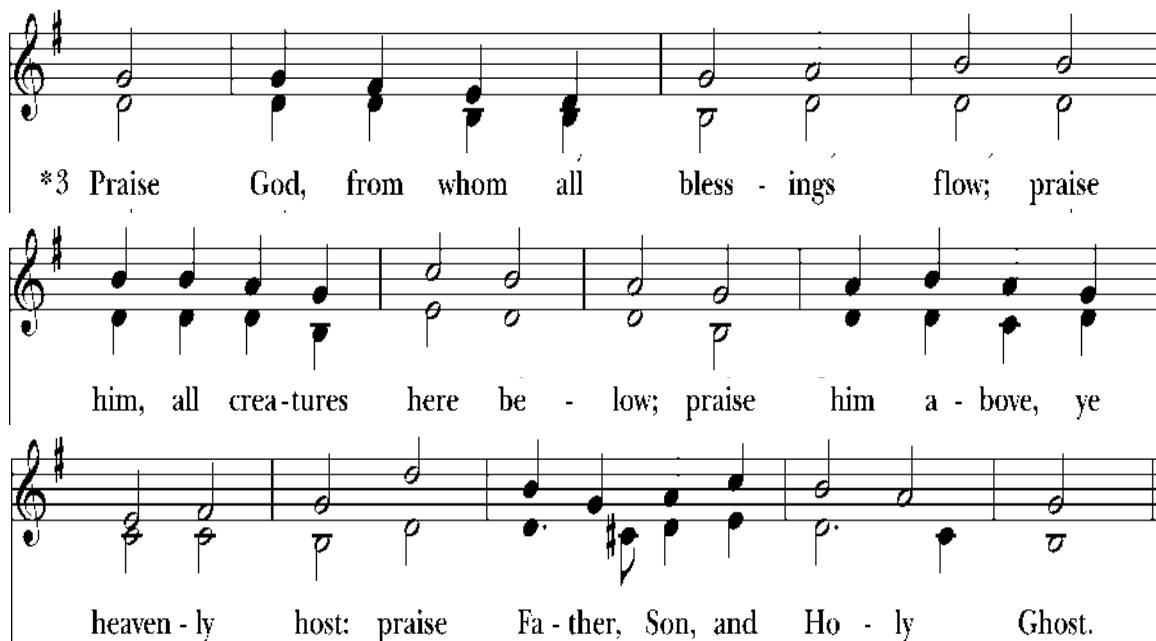
Lord Make Me An Instrument

Lee Dengler

The people stand to sing the presentation acclamation and remain standing throughout the Great Thanksgiving.

PRESENTATION HYMN - 380

From All That Dwell Below the Skies Old 100th



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

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS - S-130

Holy, Holy, Holy

*Franz Schubert
arr. Richard Proulx*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea-ven and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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

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

Therefore, according to his command, O God,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts

that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with James and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, O God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

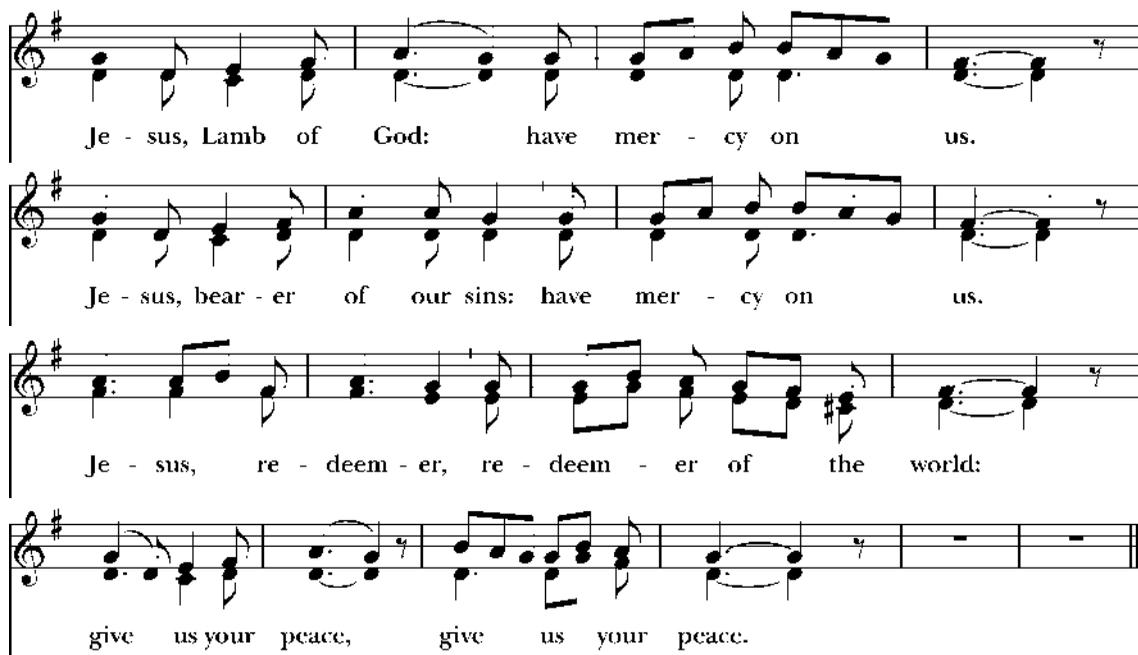
Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

FRACTION ANTHEM - S-164

Jesus, Lamb of God: Agnus Dei

*Franz Schubert
arr. Richard Proulx*



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

INVITATION

The people are seated.

Our custom in the Episcopal Church is to welcome all who are baptized, regardless of age, to receive the bread and wine at Communion. Please come forward to the altar. If you are not baptized, or would prefer not to receive communion, you may come forward and cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing. If you would like Communion brought to you in your seat, please let an usher know. Consecrated gluten-free wafers are available; please inform the clergy if you have gluten sensitivity.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

During Communion, healing prayers are offered. Please come to the prayer station at the front of the Nave with your requests.

MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM:

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Martin Neary

COMMUNION HYMN: 477

Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs

Nun danket all und bringet Her



- | | | |
|---|--|----------------------------------|
| 1 | Come, let us join our cheer - ful songs | with an - gels round the throne; |
| 2 | “Wor - thy the Lamb that died,” they cry | “to be ex - alt - ed thus”; |
| 3 | Je - sus is wor - thy to re - ceive | hon - or and power di - vine; |
| 4 | The whole cre - a - tion joins in one | to bless the sa - cred Name |



ten thou - sand thou - sand are their tongues,	but all their joys are one.
“Wor - thy the Lamb,” our lips re - ply	“for he was slain for us.”
may bless - ings, more than we can give,	be, Lord, for ev - er thine.
of him that sits up - on the throne,	and to a - dore the Lamb.

ORGAN:

Intermezzo-Allegretto

H. Schroeder

The Post Communion Prayer

Said by all, kneeling or standing.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR PRAYER

Celebrant: *N.*, we send you out to share this Holy Communion. May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in the community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: **In the healing name of Christ, and with the compassionate embrace of the family of St. James', we send you forth bearing these holy gifts of our Lord's body and blood. May the one bread and one wine call us into awareness of our unity in the family of Christ. Amen**

THE BLESSING

The Celebrant blesses the people and the people respond **Amen.**

Please turn as the cross recesses down the aisle.

HYMN AT THE CLOSING - 688

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Ein feste Burg



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er
 2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be
 3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -
 4 That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -



fail - ing; our help - er he a - mid the flood
 los - ing; were not the right man on our side,
 do us; we will not fear, for God hath willed
 bid - eth; the Spi - rit and the gifts are ours



of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing; for still our an - cient foe
 the man of God's own choos - ing; dost ask who that may be?
 his truth to tri - umph through us; the prince of dark - ness grim,
 through him who with us sid - eth: let goods and kin - dred go,



doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great,
 Christ Je - sus, it is he; Lord Sa - ba - oth his Name,
 we trem - ble not for him; his rage we can en - dure,
 this mor - tal life al - so; the bo - dy they may kill:



and, armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 from age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.
 for lo! his doom is sure, one lit - tle word shall fell him.
 God's truth a - bid - eth still, his king - dom is for ev - er.

THE DISMISSAL

The minister says the dismissal.

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia. Alleluia.

POSTLUDE:

Postlude on "All Creatures of Our God and King"

Hal Hopson



PLEASE JOIN US IN THE PARISH HALL FOR COFFEE HOUR



MUSIC PERMISSIONS:

Reprinted/streamed under OneLicense.net A-701304, CCLI Lic..

#2852023

Hendel, G. F., *Organ Concerto in F Major*, Public domain

Dengler, Lee., *Lord Make Me...*, Concordia Publishing House, 1993

Neary Martin., *Make Me A Channel...*, OCP Publishing, 1997

Schroeder, H., *Intermezzo-Allegretto*, Schott Music, 1932

Hopson, Hal, *Postlude on "All Creatures..."*, Harold Flammer, Inc., 1983

The Hymnal 1982. according to the use of The Episcopal Church. 1982.

Church Publishing Incorporated.

(Asterisk * denotes those in the St. James' community)

PRAYER REQUESTS

THOSE REQUESTING OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK: *Art Blakeslee, Elliot Giammetta & family, *Bethea Dowling, *Christopher Osborne, Kalpana Ronlov & Family, *Sandy Garlick, Mark Mangilit, and *DuBose Fleming,

THOSE ON OUR LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: Steve Trull, The Spealman family, Tracy McGuire, Jane, Kate Pinson, Jan, Bill, *Fred Lang, Brianne Fabian, Ann T., Teri Fortier, *Rene, Mary Galloway, Bob Longo, *Mark Mobley, *Meagan Carren, *Lois Krumwiede, *Michael Fabian, *Denise, *Christine, *McKenna Hagler, *Michael Dowling, Nancy Giffin, Pamela Scott, Richard Ford, Dacia Rolando, *Rebecca Page, Sue Roberts, Bill F., *Alice Forlini, *Darrell Ackmann, Judy Pople, *The Carren Family, Nathan Rodney, *Harold Neely, Isaiah Rice, *Rachelle Graves, Tony Beltrano, Mary Ellen Hurley, *Fran Smith, Nicholas Rodney, Ed, and Virginia Laughlin.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Lew Morrow, *Eeda Dennis, Beverly Elero, and Carol Ann Sauer.

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS: All those affected by the fires and floods in the US, for the lives lost and that God will sustain them for the recovery ahead, for all those across the globe who suffer the effects of natural disasters; for those who suffer acts of violence around the world, especially for Ukraine and for the Holy Land, for those suffering from the war in Sudan; for federal employees and those serving in the armed forces at home and abroad; for those who are unemployed or underemployed; and for those who continue to be affected by COVID-19 and for protection of the most vulnerable through flu season and cold weather.

THE ANNUAL PARISH REPORT



You can see the Annual Parish Report by scanning the QR Code on the left. You can get a hard copy from the Parish Office or next Sunday in the Narthex.

ST. JAMES' NEWCOMER CLASS



Sunday, February 15 | 11:30 a.m. | Janney Parlor

Join Fr. Chad to hear more about the history, values, and mission of St. James, and discover what it means to be a member of the Episcopal Church. You will also learn more about our active ministries and ways to get involved. Child care available by request with advance registration. Scan the QR code to register.

BAPTISM SUNDAY: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

St. James' will be offering the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, February 15th at the 10:00 a.m. service. If you're interested in being baptized or having a child baptized, please email info@stjameselesburg.org or call 703-777-1124.

HELP YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

Support the Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, February 16 | 10:00 am | Parish Hall

St. James' will be hosting a Blood Drive on February 16th. For more information call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org, Walk-ins are welcome.

SHROVE TUESDAY/MARDI GRAS BEIGNETS

Tuesday, February 17 | 6:00-7:00 p.m. | Parish Hall

Stop by the Parish Hall on Mardi Gras between 6:00-7:00 p.m. to enjoy freshly fried beignets prepared by **St. James' Youth Group!** We will have Mardi Gras music and a toppings bar. There is no charge, but donations will be cheerfully accepted. All donations will go towards St. James Youth Ministry. Beignets are also available "to-go". Park your car in the parking lot, call 540-454-3485, and we will deliver the beignets to you.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

February 18th | Noon & 7:00 pm

We'll mark the beginning of Lent together with the Holy Eucharist and imposition of ashes. The Noon service is spoken. The 7:00 pm service includes music.

MORNING PRAYER DURING LENT 9:00 a.m.

Beginning **Friday, February 20th** in the Nave, in addition to the weekly Eucharist service, we will say Morning Prayer together on Mondays and Fridays. Pause during the week and join us for this short service of readings and prayers.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Parishioners and guests may make their own pilgrimage along the Via Dolorosa, or "Way of Sorrows," during Lent 2025 on **Wednesdays, 2/25 - 3/25 in the church from 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.** The Stations of the Cross depict the final hours (or Passion) of Jesus and the devotion commemorating the Passion. The Way of the Cross booklets will be available in the narthex for self-guided pilgrimages.

JOIN A LENTEN SMALL GROUP AT ST. JAMES' NOW



This Lent, you are warmly invited to be part of a small group using the 2026 *Lenten Meditations* from Episcopal Relief & Development. These thoughtful reflections, written by Sister Monica Clare—an Episcopal nun and author—invite us to rediscover or deepen holy habits of prayer, worship, and engagement with Scripture. In a supportive small-group setting, we'll share conversation, reflection, and fellowship as we seek lives more deeply rooted in God. Groups will be offered at various times throughout the week to accommodate different schedules and will meet for five sessions during Lent. Small groups are forming now! Please scan the QR code and complete the interest survey. Whether this is your first small group or you've participated before, we hope you'll consider joining us for this meaningful Lenten journey. Questions? Please contact Sarah Bauer at s.bauer.leesburg@gmail.com or call/text **(703) 896-0174**.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED



Hosting Coffee Hour following the 10:00 a.m. service offers a meaningful opportunity for ministries, families, and individuals to share in fellowship and hospitality. It is an excellent opportunity for ministries to highlight their work, share information about upcoming events, and strengthen connections within our parish community. Hosts are kindly asked to provide light refreshments to be enjoyed after the 10:00 a.m. service in the **Parish Hall**. Food items may be dropped off in the kitchen prior to the service and left with Gustavo, who will provide coffee, creamer, napkins, and a tablecloth. All ministries, families, and

individuals are warmly encouraged to participate. **Scan the QR code** to sign up. For additional information please contact **Sarah Bauer** at s.bauer.leesburg@gmail.com or (703) 896-0174.

THE PARISH HOUSE HAS A NEW ROOF!

After years of discussing the need for this work, it was approved in last year's budget. The contract for replacement of our 75+ year old metal roof for the Parish House was awarded to VA Pro Roofing. They began and completed this work last week. Please take a look when you get the opportunity; there are pictures in the e-Pistle. Any questions can be sent to jrwarden@stjamesleesburg.org

ST. JAMES' WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB MONTHLY MEETING

Monday, February 23rd | 2:30 p.m. | Janney Parlor

"To Build Community, Form Friendships, and Read a Good Book"



All women of St. James' are invited to join us on February 23rd. The book for this month is *The Awakening* by Kate Chopin. You can get the book from Amazon (scan the **QR code to the Left**), Thrift Books (online), Birch Tree Books in Leesburg, or the Loudoun County Library. For more information or to register (not required), contact Fran Smith: frannie.r.smith@gmail.com

2026 MISSION TRIP TO HONDURAS:



Fundraising and In-Kind Donations

NOTE: There is one spot that just opened for the trip. Call Henry Stribling 571-238-5992.

Our 2026 Honduras mission team has begun preparing for our trip from February 28 to March 7, 2026. We will

be working on a new clean water project and have launched a GoFundMe to make this project a reality. We are also welcoming in-kind donations of children's summer clothing, shoes, and school supplies. Donations may be brought to the Parish House during business hours Monday to Friday. For more information, please contact Henry Stribling hstribling@gmail.com or 571-238-5992. **Scan the QR code for the GoFundMe link.**

ST. JAMES' PRESCHOOL: NOW ENROLLING FOR 2026-2027!



Registration for 2026-2027 is open for all families! Please visit our website for more information. Parents of new students should fill out a contact form to sign up for a tour and to receive an application through our education management app,

Brightwheel! Contact the preschool office if you need a link for an application (sjpdirector@stjamesleesburg.org) or scan the QR code to enter your child's information via our website. We are excited for our 54th year of Ministry!

MENS' SERVICE MINISTRY

7:00 p.m. Weekly | Youth Room - Parish House

All men of St. James are invited to join a weekly MSM meeting. For additional information or if you have questions, please email Mike Scott at mdscott_2001@yahoo.com.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Honor a loved one, remember a special individual in your life or in the life of our parish, or simply beautify our worship space by donating altar flowers. To sign up, please contact the church office at rsnodgrass@stjamesleesburg.org or call 703-777-1124.

UPCOMING EVENTS

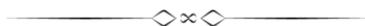
February 8 - Ministry Commission New Vestry Members;
Second Sunday Family Service

February 15 - Last Sunday after the Epiphany; Baptisms;
Newcomer's Class

February 16 - President's Day, Campus Closed

February 17 - Family Mardi Gras Party; Shrove Tuesday - Youth
Group Beignets

February 18 - Ash Wednesday: Services at Noon & 7:00; Labyrinth
Walk



DON'T FALL FOR SCAMS!

Reminder: St. James' staff will never reach out to you via text or email asking for gift cards. If you receive a message like this, it is a scam. These messages should be ignored. If you have are unsure about a suspicious message or have questions about scams, you are welcome to reach out to communications@stjamesleesburg.org.



GET THE NEWS!

If you are not receiving the e-Pistle, our weekly email newsletter, and would like to, scan the QR code.



CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 1, 2026

- 1 SUNDAY Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**
8:00 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I
8:30 a.m. Coffee Hour - Janney Parlor
9:00 am Annual Parish Meeting*
9:00 a.m. Youth Group Sunday School - Youth Room
9:45 a.m. Children's Formation - Janney House - 2nd Floor
10:00 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II*
11:15 a.m. Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
4:00 p.m. Grace to Go
- 2 MONDAY**
7:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer - Nave
7:00 pm Men's Service Ministry - Youth Room
- 4 WEDNESDAY**
10:00 a.m. Worship Meeting - Kitty Boyd Room
11:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice - Nave
- 5 THURSDAY**
8:30 p.m. AA - Parish Hall
- 7 SATURDAY**
8:00 a.m. Vestry Retreat - Parish Hall
- 8 SUNDAY Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**
8:00 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I
8:30 a.m. Coffee Hour - Janney Parlor
9:00 am Second Sunday Family Service
10:00 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II*
11:15 a.m. Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
4:00 p.m. Grace to Go

* Live Streamed

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

8:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M.

ACOLYTES	BECKY CRISMAN	ALEX DULLE LARKIN WILSON SAM HAGER LEAH HAGER
READERS	STEVE SMITH KAY GREGG	KATHLEEN HUGHES SUSAN MOFFETT
INTERCESSOR	KAY GREGG	DAVE HOV
LEMs	JEFF BRANNOCK RANDY MINCHEW	JEFF BRANNOCK KATHERINE STETHEM KEN GETTY ELAINE NUNNALLY
USHERS	DENNY FARRINGTON BRIAN GRAVES	TOM DEVANEY NANCY BURGHARDT MARY DUNLOP TIM LABUS
A/V LEAD		RAYMOND JONES
EUCCHARISTIC VISITOR		JOANNA EDRINGTON
ALTAR GUILD	SHEILA BROOKS, MARY BRECHT, CHRIS BROGAN	

ST. JAMES' LITURGICAL TEAM

The Rev. Dr. Chad T. Martin

Rector

cmartin@stjamesleesburg.org

The Rev. Marybeth Sanders-Wilson

Associate Rector

msanderswilson@stjamesleesburg.org

Jim Moon

Interim Organist

Mark Irchai

Interim Music Director

Kay Gregg

Verger

ST. JAMES' STAFF

Ready Snodgrass

Parish Administrator

rsnodgrass@stjamesleesburg.org

Lisa Krepich

Preschool Director

sjpdirector@stjamesleesburg.org

Kim Carren

Preschool Operations Manager

sjpops@stjamesleesburg.org

Jess Eastridge

Children's Formation Minister

Adán Cortes

Lead Sexton

Gustavo del Callejo

Sunday Sexton

ST. JAMES' VESTRY

OFFICERS

Tricia Sauer, *Senior Warden*

Tony McGraw, *Junior Warden*

Jane Roth, *Register*

Stacy Cleveland, *Treasurer*

CLASS OF 2023-2026

George Garlick

Candy Hayes

Trudy Gross

Ray Longo

CLASS OF 2024-2027

Sarah Bauer

Jeff Brannock

Tony McGraw

Tricia Sauer

CLASS OF 2025-2028

Michael Fabian

Dick Hersh

Senta Keegan

Bryan Welsh

LAY DELEGATES

Dottie Brannock

Fred Williams

IN NEED OF PRAYER; IN NEED OF CARE?

"In case of illness, the minister of the congregation is to be notified."

-The Book of Common Prayer, p. 453

If you need pastoral care or prayer please let us know!

If you are in need of pastoral care, please fill out the form and place it in the offering plate or use the resources below:

THE CHURCH OFFICE

(M-TH, 9A.M. TO 5:00 P.M., FRI 9 AM TO 2 PM)

(703)777-1124

AFTER HOURS PASTORAL CARE LINE

(202)750-4247

Needed prayer for: Yourself Someone Else

Name(s): _____

Details (Optional): _____

Should the name be added to the Prayer List? Yes No

Do they need Pastoral Care (a visit, a phone call, etc.)? Yes No

Would they like a card? Yes No

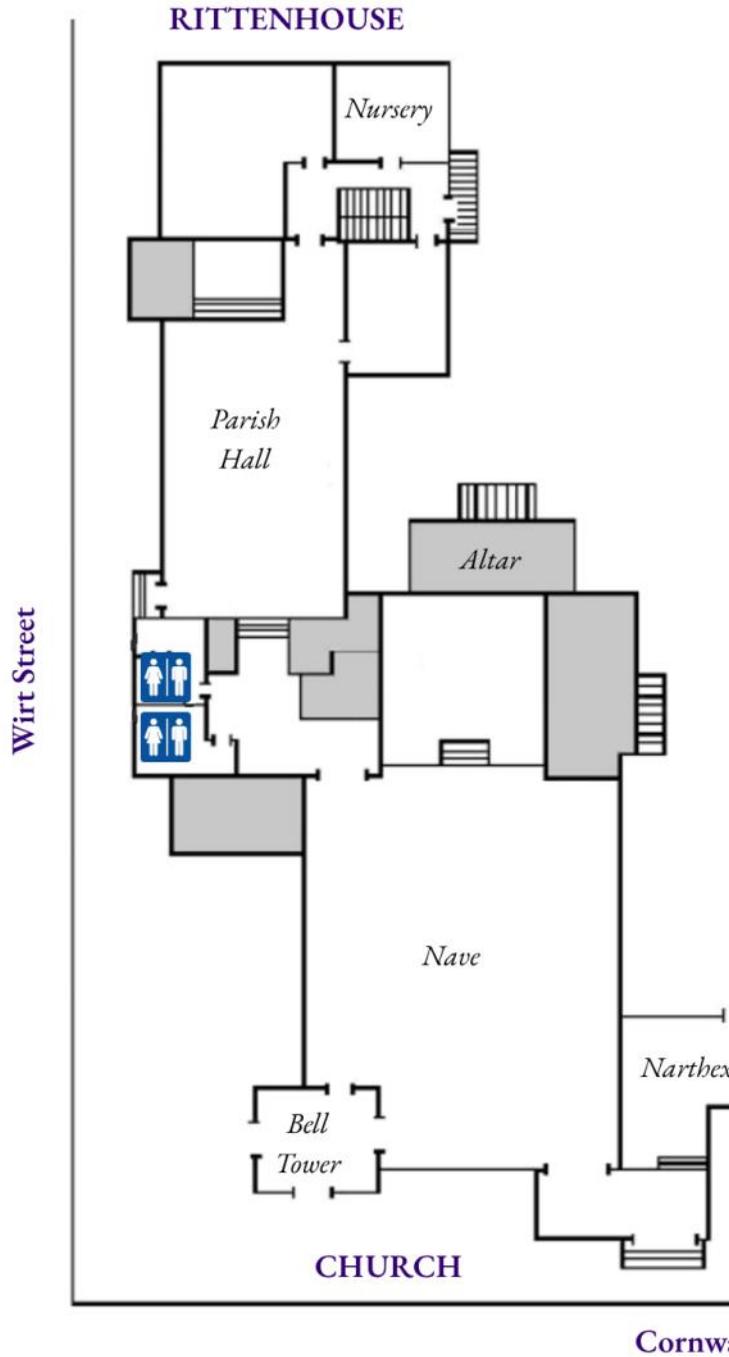
Address: _____

Would you like to set up a time to talk with one of our clergy?

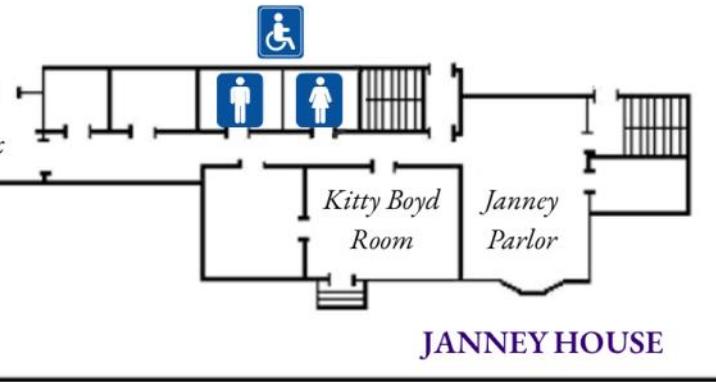
Yes No

Phone number: _____

Submitter's Name _____

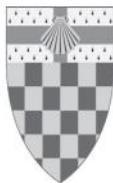


St. James'
Episcopal Church
LEESBURG, VIRGINIA
CAMPUS MAP



all Street

St. James'
Episcopal Church
LEESBURG, VIRGINIA



8 Cornwall St. N.W.
Leesburg, Virginia 20176
(703)777-1124
stjamesleesburg.org

*This bulletin was printed on recycled paper.
Please help us continue to be an environmentally conscious Parish and recycle
your unwanted bulletins in the designated bins in the Narthex.*