

# St. James Episcopal Church Batavia, New York



*The Good Shepherd finds his sheep*

## **The Fourth Sunday in Easter**

**May 12th, 2019, 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist**

*Welcome to St. James!*

*Instructions for standing, sitting and kneeling are in the bulletin. Please engage in these as you are comfortable and able. We regularly use two books in our worship: The Hymnal (blue) and the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) (red).*

***Please join your voice to the hymns and the prayers printed in bold.***

The Word of God

*Please stand.*

**Hymn 205**

***Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!***

Opening Sentences

BCP pg 355

Alleluia! Christ is risen

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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.**

*Please stand.*

**Hymn S-280**

**Gloria**

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



Collect of the Day

BCP pg 224

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

The First Reading

Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23 Dominus regit me

BCP pg 621

1 The LORD is my shepherd; \*

**I shall not be in want.**

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures \*

**and leads me beside still waters.**

3 He revives my soul \*

**and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.**

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; \*

**for you are with me;**

**your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \*  
**you have anointed my head with oil,**  
**and my cup is running over.**

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*  
**and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.**

The Second Reading

Revelation 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”  
And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,  
“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honor  
and power and might  
be to our God forever and ever!  
Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God,  
and worship him day and night within his temple,  
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;  
the sun will not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat;

for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 366

***Holy God we praise thy Name***

The Holy Gospel

John 10:22-30

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell

us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon Feeling Sheepish? Get a new fleece on life!

Mother Bonnie Morris

*Please stand.*

The Baptismal Covenant

BCP pg 304

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit**

**the holy catholic Church**

**the communion of saints**

**the forgiveness of sins**

**the resurrection of the body**

**and the life everlasting.**

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

**I will, with God's help.**

The Prayers of the People

*Deacon:*

Gathered before the throne of the Lamb, let us pray for the flock of God throughout the world.

*Intercessor:*

For the holy churches in every place, and for the unity of all.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For this holy assembly and for all who gather in the name of the risen Christ.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For our brothers and sisters illumined by the light of Christ.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For Michael our presiding bishop, Sean our bishop, Bonnie our priest, Diana our deacon, and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For the world and its leaders, our nation and its people, and for all those who share God's covenant of peace, **especially Eric, David, Paul, Brandon, Michael, Alex and**

**Megan.**

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For all those in danger and need, the sick and the suffering, the strayed and the lost.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For all those in danger and need, the sick and the suffering, the strayed and the Lost.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For those who walk in death's dark valley.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For ourselves, our families, and those we love,

**Especially Tim, Aiden, Gabriella, Diana, Carla, Venus, Debbie, Paul, Beth, Cathy, Wendy, Evan, Travis, Pat, Nicholas, Bob, Charlene, Brian, Theresa, Jessica, Carole, Hari, Tammie, Rose, Alexis and** *(the congregation may insert a name they wish to include, either silently or aloud.)* May God keep our loved ones in his hand.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

Remembering our most glorious and blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

**To you, our Lord, and God.**

*Presider*

Blessed are you, God our Father, whose Son lay down his life to take it up again. Hear the prayers we offer for every need, and make us one through your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The deacon bids us to confession:*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Please kneel as you are able.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

**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.**

*The Presider alone stands and says:*

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.**

A Prayer for Mothers

The Holy Communion

Offertory 'Day of the Lord'

M. Jerome Bell

*This is the first performance of this piece, which had been commissioned for St. James Church.*

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;  
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;  
for His steadfast love endures forever,  
for His steadfast love endures forever.

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;  
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;  
for His steadfast love endures forever,  
for His steadfast love endures forever.  
His love endures forever.

Let Israel say, His love endures forever.

The LORD is my strength and my song; He is my salvation.  
The LORD is my strength and my song; He is my salvation.  
The LORD is my strength and my song; He is my salvation.  
The LORD is my strength and my song; He is my salvation.

Open the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them.  
Open the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them.



It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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:

**Hymn S-129**

**The Sanctus**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
 might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

*The people stand or kneel.*

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 Father,

**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 the Blessed Virgin Mary 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, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

**AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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.**

Breaking of the Bread

*A period of silence is kept.*

**Hymn S-163**

**The Fraction Anthem**

Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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,  
either at the high altar or the chantry altar  
Deacon Diana will be at the chantry altar for prayers of healing.*

**Communion Hymns**

***Lord, Prepare Me***

**“Lord, prepare me, to be a sanctuary.**

**Pure and holy, tried and true.**

**With thanksgiving, I’ll be a living sanctuary for you.”**

**Hymn 645**

***The King of love my shepherd***

Omit St 3 &4

**Hymn 664**

***My Shepherd will supply my need***

**Post Communion Prayer**

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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.**

**Blessing**

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

**Recessional Hymn 522**

***Glorious things of thee are spoken***

**Dismissal**

BCP pg 366

*Our deacon will dismiss us first in Japanese and then in English.*

Kami no I wo wakachi I masho. Go into the world sharing God's love.

**Thanks be to God** *(Please respond in your own language).*

**Postlude** ‘Toccata in D minor’

Charles Sergisson



The flowers on the Altar today,  
Are for the Glory of God  
And in loving memory of  
Chip Barnard  
Eleanor Barnard, Glenn Barnard  
Myrta Norris, Walter Norris



### **Birthdays this Week!**

We pray God's blessing be with you on your special day and every day.

Diane Cox 5/12, Hannah Rosenbeck 5/17

The Our Faith Discussion Group will be meeting in the Guild Room after service this morning.

### **Cookies for the Freezer**

We are once again reaching out to the parish to bring in cookies for the freezer. The supply that has been available in the parish freezer is gone. The supply was so appreciated as they were needed frequently for coffee hours. Home baked, store bought – cookies, sweet breads, coffee cakes, whatever can be wrapped and used at the coffee hours would be great!

### **Journeys Weekend for Jr. High Youth, Grades 6 through 8**

May 17 – 18, 2019, 7 pm Friday through 3 pm Saturday

St. James Episcopal Church

There is still time to sign up! Please talk to Mother Bonnie.

### **The United Thank Offering**

Next Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> the ECW will be collecting the Spring offerings for United Thank Offering (UTO). The offering is collected by the Episcopal Church Women twice a year and the donations are used to support grants for ministries at home and overseas as an outreach of the Episcopal Church. Prayers and offerings make it possible for the UTO mission to stretch in unexpected ways.

The ECW forwards the ingathering offering to its respective Diocesan Coordinator; the coordinator records our offering and forwards it to the national UTO office in New York.

In New York, these monies are immediately put to work earning interest. They are kept in an interest-bearing account until granted. The interest from the account also is granted. By combining the offerings, it is possible to fund significant projects that make a real difference in the work of the Episcopal Church and a real difference in people's lives.

Each year 100 percent of the collected offering is granted. UTO Committee expenses are supported entirely through earned income from dedicated trust funds.

Please join with others in our parish and support the UTO offering. If you are not in church on the 19<sup>th</sup>, you can mail our offering to the parish office.

### **United Way Day of Caring**

Again this year, people from the United Way will be coming to St. James and the task assigned is to work in the gardens, church and rectory yards. Won't you put on your work clothes, bring in some garden tools (put your name on them) and help with the enormous task at hand. The date of the clean out and clean up project is May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 in the morning. Many hands accomplish much work in a shorter period of time.

### **Genesee Chorale Concert Performance**

**Andrew Lloyd Webber: A Musical Celebration.** From the serious ("Pie Jesu" from *Requiem*) to the silly ("Jellicle Songs for Jellicle Cats" from *Cats*). Add some *Phantom of the Opera*, *Love Never Dies* and *Evita*, and Genesee Chorale offers up a musical celebration not to be missed. The program also includes solo and small group performances of other Webber favorites. It all takes place at **4 p.m. Sunday, May 19, at Northgate Free Methodist Church's South Campus, 350 Bank St., Batavia.** Tickets are \$10 through geneseechorale.com or at the door – please note that seating for this popular concert is limited. Further information is available at the Chorale web site, or by calling (716) 531-8986.

### **Connections Collection**

Connections—an ecumenical group of churches in Batavia that seeks to do outreach ministry together—is again collecting for Fr. Ivan Trujillo's ministry with migrant farm workers in our area. Would you like to help? It's so simple! Please bring to church:

- Baseball caps (new or gently used)
- Toilet Paper
- Single serving bags of treats—chips, cookies, candy, etc.

These (along with the items collected by the other churches in Connections) will be packed into bags and given to the workers. I have met some of these workers and I was blessed by their kindness, friendship and gratitude for the help extended to them. We will be collecting these items now through the 1<sup>st</sup> of July. Thank you! Mo. Bonnie+

## Service Participant Schedule

	<b>May 12</b>	<b>May 19</b>
EM 1	Russ Dvoroznak	Barb Gray
EM 2	Jo-Ann Bestine	Diane Cox
EM Chantry	Keith Price	Barb King
Lesson 1	Bill Hawkins	Liz Findlay
Lesson 2	Bette Rung	Lilo Townsend
Prayers	Wayne Judkins	Rose Rumery
Acolytes	Scott Essig Nichole Essig	Keith Price Rich Geitner
Ushers	Larry Belluscio Dean Perry	Jane McKeehan Russ Dvoroznak
Greeters	Paula Alker Jane McKeehan	Bonnie Smith Wayne Townsend
Elements	Nancy Harrington Bill Coughlin	Paula Alker Donna Kauffman
Coffee	Kathy Belluscio	Kelcey and Nick Bestine
Altar Guild	Jolene Folger Karen Odell Harold Odell	Jo-Ann Bestine Joanne Fleming Donna Kauffman
Flowers	Betsy Dexheimer	Liz Findlay
Closer	Dave Lange	Jim Neider

**The full schedule can be found on  
[www.stjamesbatavia.org](http://www.stjamesbatavia.org)  
and on Facebook at  
**St. James Episcopal Church Batavia****

## St. James Calendar

Sun, May 12	9:00 am – 9:45 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am – 11:15 am	Holy Eucharist
	10:00 am – 10:45 am	Sunday School
	11:15 am – 1 00 pm	Thanksgiving in May Dinner
Mon, May 13	4:00 pm – 7:00 pm	EFM Class, Judkin's Home, Corfu, NY
	7:00 pm – 9:30 pm	Genesee Chorale Rehearsal
Tue, May 14	1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Vestry Reports Due
	3:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Holy Eucharist at Premier Nursing Home
	4:30 pm – 5:30 pm	Outreach Meeting
	5:30 pm – 7:00 pm	ECW Meeting
	7:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Fundraising Team Meeting
Wed, May 15	11:00 am – 11:30 am	Holy Eucharist in the Chapel
	12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Bible Discussion Group
	7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Thu, May 16	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Thrift Store is Open
	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Wardens Meeting
Fri, May 17	All Day	Journeys Weekend
Sat, May 18	All Day	Journeys Weekend
Sun, May 19	9:00 am – 9:45 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am – 11:15 am	Holy Eucharist & UTO Ingathering
	10:00 am – 10:45 am	Sunday School
	11:15 am – 12 00 pm	Coffee Hour
	11:30 am – 12:00 pm	Our Faith Discussion Group
Mon, May 20	4:00 pm – 7:00 pm	EFM Class, Judkin's Home, Corfu, NY
Tue, May 21	7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Vestry Meeting
Wed, May 22	All Day	Day of Caring
	11:00 am – 11:30 am	Holy Eucharist in the Chapel
	12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Bible Discussion Group
Thu, May 23	7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal
	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Thrift Store Open
	2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Wardens Meeting
Sun, May 26	9:00 am – 9:45 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am – 11:15 am	Holy Eucharist
	11:15 am – 12 00 pm	Coffee Hour
	11:30 am – 12:00 pm	Our Faith Discussion Group



## **St. James Episcopal Church**

405 East Main Street

Batavia, NY 14020

### **Sunday Worship Service:**

**10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist**

### **Weekday Services**

**Wednesday, 11 a.m.** – Holy Eucharist in the Chapel

**The Second Tuesday of the Month, 3:00 p.m.** – Holy Eucharist at the Premier  
Genesee Nursing Home, 278 Bank Street, in the Mall Walk

**The Fourth Tuesday of the Month at 10:45 a.m.** – Holy Eucharist at  
The Manor House, 427 East Main Street, in the Grand Parlor

### ***Everyone is Welcome!***

The Rev. Bonnie F. Morris, Rector

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The Rev. Deacon Diana Leiker, dllart@aol.com

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### **Vestry:**

Diane Cox, Bonnie Dvoroznak, Dorian Ely,  
Jack Kershner, Barbara King, Dean Perry,  
Harold Odell, Barbara Pierce, Lilo Townsend

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