St. James Episcopal Church Batavia, NY

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord"



Ten Lepers Call Out to Jesus Gebhard Fugel 1863-1939

The 18th Sunday after Pentecost October 12, 2025 (9:00 a.m. zoom Liturgy of the Word) 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Children of every age are welcome here and are invited to join in the opening and closing processions. In the front of the church, on the left side, is a "soft space" where children can "be children" and watch the service up close. Canon Johnnie invites everyone who would like to assist with the final blessing to stand in place and at the mention of the Trinity, Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, to gently raise your right hand, palm up.

Please join your voice to the hymns and to the bolded portions of the liturgy taken from the Book of Common Prayer-BCP, red book in the pew.

Welcome and Announcements

None of us are here by accident. God has called us into this space and at this time, because God is working in our lives — individually and corporately. Please know that God loves you regardless, just as you are, and that love is practiced here at St. James. Also know that it is God who invites you into the Banquet of the Lamb — A God who welcome us all!

Opening Hymn 411

O bless the Lord, my soul

The Liturgy of the Word

Opening Sentences

BCP p. 355

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

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.**

The Gloria (spoken at 9 am, sung at 10)

Hymnal S-280

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 on 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
The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

A Reading from the second book of Kings (5:1-3, 7-15) Lilo Townsend

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and

immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

Thanks Be to God.

Psalm 111 (Let us read the psalm responsively by half verse)

- 1 Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, * in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
- 2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! * they are studied by all who delight in them.
- 3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, * and his righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; * the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.
- 5 He gives food to those who fear him; *
 he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- 6 He has shown his people the power of his works * in giving them the lands of the nations.
- 7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; * all his commandments are sure.
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever, * because they are done in truth and equity.
- 9 He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; *

holy and awesome is his Name.

10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; * those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

A Reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy (2:8-15) Barb King Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David-that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful-for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 632

O Christ, the Word Incarnate

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke (17:11-19) Glory to you Lord Christ

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Nicene Creed (You are invited to stand as you are able.) BCP p. 358 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

Jim Neider

Presider: Let us pray for the Church and the world.

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church, that our divisions may cease and we, as a unified Christian faith, may spread God's love to all people, in all places, and at all times. **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, especially Kathy, our Governor, Donald, our President and all elected leaders. **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

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

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble. **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest,+(pause for names either aloud or silently) **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; **May we also** come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

We pray for those mentioned on our parish prayer list, and for those who we hold in our hearts, (pause for names either aloud or silently)

Silence

Presider:

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

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.

The Absolution

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you!

And also with you.

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal arr. M. Schweitzer

Doxology Old 100th

Please stand as you are able.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures, here below. Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer ABCP p. 361The SanctusHymnal S-125The Lord's PrayerBCP p. 364The Breaking of the BreadHymnal S-154

Invitation to Communion

These are the gifts of God for us, the beloved of God: Come to the Table of the Lord and be fed.

All who desire communion are welcome to receive, for this is God's Table, not ours. If you are not baptized and desire to be baptized, please speak to the clergy. The distribution of communion is done in both kinds, the bread and the wine (in a common cup). Feel free to only receive the bread if that is more comfortable for you. Gluten free options are available. All people will receive communion (or a blessing) from the main floor at the top of the center aisle. We do this so that everyone may receive communion together, as one family. If you prefer to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest when you come forward and the priest will bestow God's blessing to you.

Communion Hymn 483 The head that once was crowned with thorns Communion Hymn 567 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old

Post Communion Prayer

BCP p. 365

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.

The Blessing

Canon Johnnie invites all children present to join him for the Blessing

Closing Hymn 655

O Jesus, I have promised

Dismissal

Postlude Allegro Maestoso

G. F. Handel

***Those attending the Zoom service please continue here. ***

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures, here below. Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

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, forever and ever. Amen.

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

We will observe a moment of silence. If you have consecrated wafers please consume one now, If you don't, please know that as others receive the sacrament, so do you!

Closing Prayer Let us pray.

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

The Blessing

The Dismissal



The flowers on the Altar today are for the Glory of God and in loving memory of

Charmaine Swartz

Please take this bulletin home with you!

Please pray for those on our parish prayer List

Ed, Debbie, Anne & Don, Paul, Peggy, James, Wayne, Angelique, Charlene, Bill, Pat, Patrick, Judi, Kim, Devon, Tim, Jean, Diane, Tom, Rich, Jane, Pearl, Bob, Sue, James, Bill, Chad, Jeff, Shirley, Judy, Lucas, Owen, Savannah, Nancy, Greg, Grace, Celentano family, Roger, Terry, Russell, David, Kennedy, Harrison, Margaret, Lucy, Sue, Brian, Jim & Marsha, Janice, Cal, Beverly, Missy, Jolene, Mary Annette, Lois, Sharon, Melinda, Dane, Blake, Erica, Debbie

Coffee Hour at the Towers

Next Sunday, October 19th, we will be having our Coffee Hour across the street at 400 Towers. For most of us, we see that large apartment building but never enter it. We would like to let the residents know we see them, we know they are there, and we would like to get to know them. So, after our service we will take our goodies across the street and sit down and get to know our neighbors better. Can you plan to bring a little snack to share? Could be homemade or store bought. Stay around after the service and let's take the short walk across the street and let our neighbors know we care.

Thanksgiving Pies

Pie season at St. James begins this week. We will meet in the kitchen at 9:00 on Friday the 17th. All skills are needed from apple peeling to rolling crust. There is a spot for you to help. We will be working for just a half day. Hope to see some new faces in the kitchen.

New Stewardship Year Begins!

As you may know by now, our Stewardship Season kicked off last Sunday, October 5th, with a brief address from our senior warden, Jim Ellison. This year's theme is *Tell Out My Soul* and we are encouraged to share our personal stories of stewardship stories. In doing so, I ask that you think about a couple of questions:

- 1. Why do Christians give?
- 2. Why is the church important?
- 3. What responsibility do we have to future Episcopalians who might search for a church in Batavia.

Others who will be speaking this month include; Maureen Scoville, Jim Neider, and Jim Isaac.

Pledge Cards can be found on the tables as you enter the Nave and they were mailed to you. To return them, you can either drop them in the Orange Pledge Collection Box on the front table, drop them off to Bobbi Jo, place them in the offer plate, or simply mail them to the church office. We will celebrate the pledge gifts given to the Glory of God and to the ministry of this church on All Saints Sunday, November 2, with a special service and coffee hour.

This year, let your soul tell of your gratitude for all that God has given to you and how much of that divine gift you can honestly afford to give back to God and the Church.

Everliving God, whose will it is that all should come with the reach of your saving embrace: Inspire our witness to you so that all may know the power of your loving acceptance and hope in the resurrection of your Son; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Happy Birthday

Barb King 10-15, Mary Ann Neider 10-16

St. James Calendar

Sun, October 12	9:00 am - 9:30 am 9:00 am 10:00 am - 11:15 am 11:15 am	Zoom Service Choir Rehearsal Holy Eucharist Coffee Hour
Mon, October 13	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Office open
	10:30 am	Respite Care
Tue, October 14	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Office open
Wed, October 15	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Office open
	10:00 am	Canon Johnnie in office
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Thu, October 16	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Office open
	11:00 am - 2:00 pm	Thrift store open
Fri, October 17		Office closed
	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Pie making begins
Sun, October 19	9:00 am - 9:30 am	Zoom Service
	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am - 11:15 am	Holy Eucharist
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	11:15 Coffee Hour at	the 400 Towers

Zoom meetings use the following link:

 $\frac{https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8085432266?pwd=ZIBCZEI0WDQ1Szk5TEF2dFlL}{bm4rUT09}$

Meeting ID: 808 543 2266 Passcode: zrXG3y

First time here?

We welcome you and hope you have felt that welcome! If you'd like to learn more about St. James, please contact our priest, Canon Johnnie at canonjohnnie@gmail.com, (859)285-9361, or call the office. Keep in touch, if you wish to be added to our mailing list fill out this form and place in the offering plate or hand to an usher.

Bath	rooms are located up the ramp (found at the left entrance nearest the small side altar) and then to your left.
	 Name
	Other family members

At St. James You are Welcome Regardless!

Book Study from Advent through Epiphany



From Advent through Epiphany, Canon Johnnie will lead a book study with us

using this beautifully designed devotional by the Reverend Robert B. Slocum. Father Slocum is an Episcopal Priest who will offer us heartwarming devotions for the seasons of Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany.

Our study will take us from the miraculous conception of Jesus to the visit of the Magi, as we experience Joy to the

World! in the wonders of the God's coming to us. We will explore ways of how we can embrace the Incarnation and make it meaningful in our everyday life. "Each devotion offers a passages from scripture, thought-provoking questions, and soulful prayers to help us contemplate God's steadfast presence and love in our lives."

You can order the book from Amazon yourself, or call the office where we will be placing a single order. This study will also be made available via Zoom for those who might find winter night driving a challenge. Funds are available for book scholarships, so please don't feel like you must be able to afford the book to attend the study. Dates and times are currently being discussed, but it is safe to say they will occur in the evening on either Tuesday or Thursday night, beginning on either December 2nd or 4th. Specifics as to the precise date and time will be announced soon.



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