

2026 Giving

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St. James Episcopal Church

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10:45 am Sunday, October 25, 2026

We invite you to follow the service and take part in a way that feels right to you.
BCP - Book of Common Prayer or Prayer Book, (red book);
Hymnal (blue book); Levas Mass Setting (white pamphlet)
Hymnal numbers beginning with 'S' are found in the front of the Hymnal.

St. James of Jerusalem

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

The Prelude

Bells may be rung.

Opening Hymn — Hymn 232 v. 1, St. James of Jerusalem, 3

"By all your saints still striving" — Nyland

Welcome & Opening Acclamation — BCP 355

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

Presider 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

5:30pm: **BCP 356** 10:45am: **Levas 243**

All **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his 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

St. James of Jerusalem
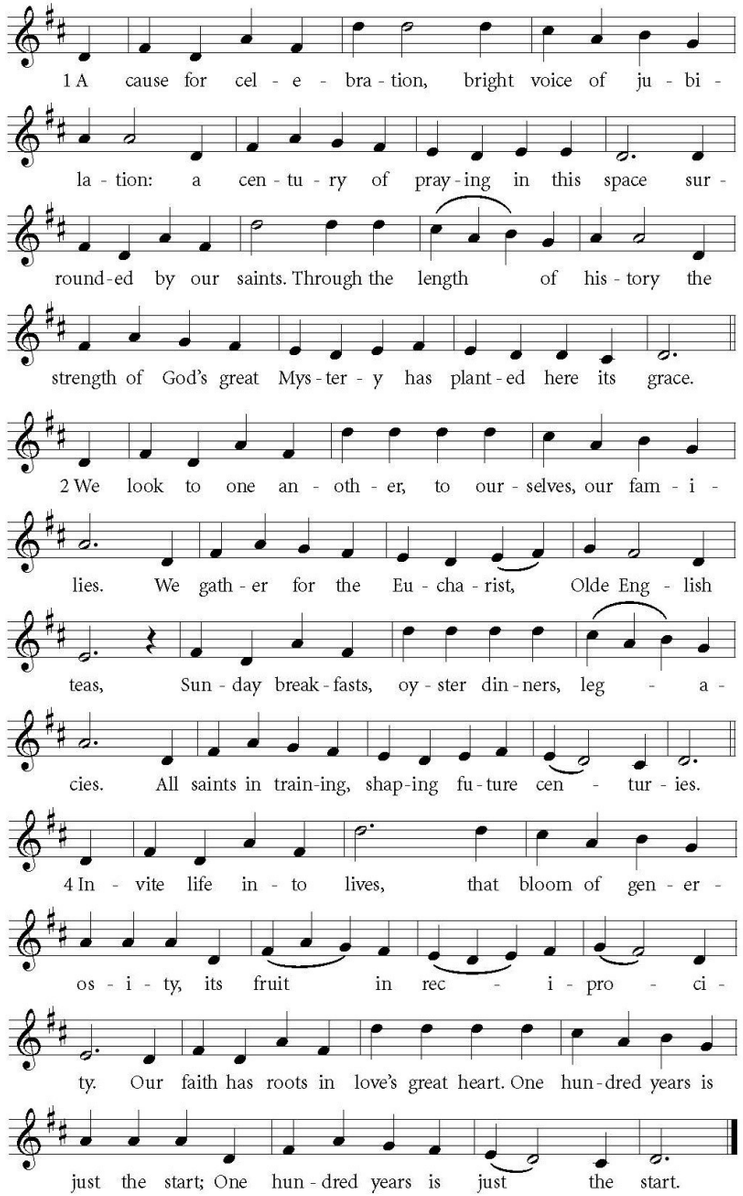
Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Grant, O God, that, following the example of your servant James the Just, brother of our Lord, your Church may give itself continually to prayer and to the reconciliation of all who are at variance and enmity; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

A Cause for Celebration



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St. James Wichita

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Postlude

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for Deacon Deedee Evans on the occasion of her birthday, celebration of her and the 40th anniversary of her ordination to the diaconate.

Service Participants

The Reverend Audrey Miskelley
The Venerable Jeff Roper
Dakota Bennett, Organist
St. James Choir
St. James Bell Choir
Mary Halley, preacher
Altar Guild of St. James

Sunday, 10:45 am

Acolyte –
Chalice Bearer - Deb Bagby
Lectors - Mary Halley, Stevie Cooke
Ushers - Scott Orr, Woody Swain
Livestream - John Robison

The First Lesson — Acts 15:12-22a

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

All the apostles and elders kept silence, and listened to Barnabas and Paul as they told of all the signs and wonders that God had done through them among the Gentiles. After they finished speaking, James replied, "My brothers, listen to me. Simeon has related how God first looked favorably on the Gentiles, to take from among them a people for his name. This agrees with the words of the prophets, as it is written,

'After this I will return,
and I will rebuild the dwelling of David, which has fallen;
from its ruins I will rebuild it, and I will set it up,
so that all other peoples may seek the Lord--
even all the Gentiles over whom my name has been called.
Thus says the Lord, who has been making these things known
from long ago.'

Therefore I have reached the decision that we should not trouble those Gentiles who are turning to God, but we should write to them to abstain only from things polluted by idols and from fornication and from whatever has been strangled and from blood. For in every city, for generations past, Moses has had those who proclaim him, for he has been read aloud every sabbath in the synagogues." Then the apostles and the elders, with the consent of the whole church, decided to choose men from among their members and to send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas.

Reader The Word of the Lord *or*
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response — Psalm 1 — BCP 585

The psalm may be spoken in unison, or responsively by whole or half verse. Sung by choir at 10:45 am service.

1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.

3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.

4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The Second Lesson — 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Reader A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was

Communion Hymns

"Thou art the way, to thee alone" — **Hymn 457** — St. James

"My God, thy table now is spread" — **Hymn 321** — Rockingham

A moment of silence is observed following Communion.

Post-Communion Prayer — BCP 365

Presider Let us pray.

Please stand or kneel as you are comfortable. **All**

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 Forth the Eucharistic Minister(s)

Eucharistic Visitors come forward.

Clergy In the name of this congregation I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body because we all share one bread, one cup.**

The Closing Hymn — Hymn 556

"Jerusalem, my happy home" — Land of Rest

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

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

All **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 Fraction

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Agnus Dei *Sung at 10:45 am service* Levas 270

All **Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world,**
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world,
Grant us your peace.

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, indicate your choice by crossing your hands over your chest.

Special Music

"Grandeur" Karen Thompson

buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles.
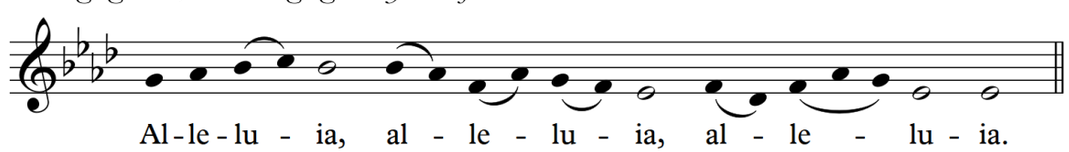
Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Reader The Word of the Lord *or*
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Sequence

Please stand as you are able. At 10:45 am the alleluia is sung by the cantor, repeated by the congregation, then sung again by all after the verse.



Cantor: Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem: praise thy God O Zion.

As the Gospel book passes by, please turn to face the Gospel with reverence for the Word.

THE HOLY GOSPEL — MATTHEW 13:54-58

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus came to his hometown and began to teach the people in their synagogue, so that they were astounded and said, "Where did this man get this wisdom and these deeds of power? Is not this the carpenter's son? Is not his mother called Mary? And are not his brothers James and Joseph and Simon and Judas? And are not all his sisters with us? Where then did this man get all this?" And they took offense at him.

But Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor except in their own country and in their own house." And he did not do many deeds of power there, because of their unbelief.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON — Mary Halley, PMEF board

At the conclusion of the sermon a moment of silent reflection is observed.

THE NICENE CREED — BCP 358

All **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.

Presider Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

All **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Presider And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS — *Sung at 10:45 am service* — LEVAS 255

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

Presider And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts […] Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

All **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Presider Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham […] one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

All **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Presider Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

Holy Communion

Offertory

"In the Communion of Saints" — Words: Jeanine Hathaway., Music by Alfred Fedak

During the offertory music, the alms basins are passed in the pews.

The Presentation Hymn — St. James Hymn

"A Cause for Celebration" — Fedak

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The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer C — BCP 369

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Presider God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

All **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

All **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Presider From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

All **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

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.

Prayers of the People — Form III BCP 387

Leader Father, we pray for your holy catholic church;

All **That we all may be one**.

Leader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

All **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

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

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

All **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

All **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

All **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest;

All **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

All **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

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

Silence

Presider Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen**.

Confession of Sin **BCP 360**

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All **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.**

Presider 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**.

Invitation to the Peace

Presider The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The People greet one another in Christ while respecting the personal space of neighbors.

After greeting, please be seated for the announcements.

Announcements and Stewardship Moment

Anniversaries and Birthdays

All **God, whose love enfolds the whole of life, who calls us into loving union, and who blessed the partnership of this couple** *(these couples)* **remembering their anniversary. Grant to your servants thankful hearts for all that is past, joyful hearts for the blessings of this day, and hopeful hearts for what is yet to come. In the name of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God. Amen.**

All **O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants who celebrate their birthdays this week. Bless them as they begin another year. 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 Savior. Amen.**

The announcement section concludes with the Presider giving an offertory sentence.