

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:45 a.m. June 13, 2021

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

All directions about standing and kneeling are for those who are able.

Singing is allowed while wearing a mask. The hymns are found in the Hymnal 1982. Those that are preceded by the letter "S" are in the front section of the book.

PRELUDE *Trumpet in Dialogue* **LOUIS N. CLERAMBAULT**

The People stand as the ministers enter.

PROCESSIONAL MUSIC 525 — *The Church's One Foundation* **AURELIA**

WELCOME AND OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Grace and peace in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks to be God.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant 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 Savior. **Amen.**

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

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE WORD OF GOD

Reader A reading from Ezekiel.

THE FIRST LESSON

EZEKIEL 17:22-24

Thus says the Lord God:
 I myself will take a sprig
 from the lofty top of a cedar;
 I will set it out.
 I will break off a tender one
 from the topmost of its young twigs;
 I myself will plant it
 on a high and lofty mountain.
 On the mountain height of Israel

I will plant it,
in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,
and become a noble cedar.
Under it every kind of bird will live;
in the shade of its branches will nest
winged creatures of every kind.
All the trees of the field shall know
that I am the Lord.
I bring low the high tree,
I make high the low tree;
I dry up the green tree
and make the dry tree flourish.
I the Lord have spoken;
I will accomplish it.

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

THE RESPONSE

Spoken in unison

PSALM 92: 1-4, 11-14

1 It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord, *
and to sing praises to your Name, O Most High;
2 To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning *
and of your faithfulness in the night season;
3 On the psaltery, and on the lyre, *
and to the melody of the harp.
4 For you have made me glad by your acts, O Lord; *
and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.
11 The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, *
and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.
12 Those who are planted in the house of the Lord *
shall flourish in the courts of our God;
13 They shall still bear fruit in old age; *
they shall be green and succulent;
14 That they may show how upright the Lord is, *
my Rock, in whom there is no fault.

THE SECOND LESSON

2 CORINTHIANS 5:6-13, 14-17

Reader A reading from Second Corinthians.

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.] For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

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

Please stand.

THE GOSPEL MUSIC 589 — *Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast*

WALDEN

To honor the teachings of Jesus, all turn to face the Gospel procession.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

MARK 4:26-34

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

Jesus said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

After the Gospel, the Celebrant says

Celebrant The Gospel of our Savior.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

THE REV. CHRISTINE GILSON

Silence is observed following the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.**

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

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

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Our Holy God, you have planted the Kingdom of God among us like seeds scattered on the ground: Let your creation flourish and grow into the fullness of your abundant life, as we pray: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation.

Reader Gracious One, the love of Christ urges us on: Lead your Church to walk by faith and live for him who died and was raised for us.

If anyone is in Christ,
People **There is a new creation.**

Reader Eternal One, inspire your loving-kindness and justice among the leaders of the nations, that your righteousness may flourish like a palm tree and spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.

If anyone is in Christ,
People **There is a new creation.**

Reader Mysterious One, let your quiet strength work in our sleeping and in our rising, night and day, to nurture your purpose for all people, that new life may sprout and grow, we do not know how, and produce a harvest of abundant life for all your creatures.

People If anyone is in Christ,
There is a new creation.

Reader Loving One, you have planted your Spirit into all humanity: Let us regard no one from a human point of view any longer, but open our eyes to see Christ's presence in all persons. If anyone is in Christ,

People **There is a new creation.**

Reader Compassionate One, you plant hope in our hearts and you bring newness to life.

Hear our prayers for those for whom we intercede.

Hear our grateful thanks for the abundance of your grace.

With Paul we also are convinced that one has died for all, therefore all have died and will be raised to newness of life. Raise into your eternal life those who have died, especially Tucker. If anyone is in Christ,

People **There is a new creation.**

Celebrant: We are always confident, O Gracious God, whether we are at home or away, for our life is hidden in you: Nourish our growth in you that we may become mature and fruitful disciples producing an abundant harvest for the sake of your Name, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reign, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A moment of silence is observed while those who choose to kneel do so.

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 our Savior 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 Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Please stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant Walk in love as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY *Album Leaf (from Lyric Pieces, Op. 12)* **EDWARD GRIEG**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER C

Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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

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

Celebrant 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.

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

Celebrant 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.

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

Celebrant 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.

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

Celebrant 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:

THE SANCTUS S128 — *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

MATTHIAS

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

The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

Celebrant And so, we who have been redeemed by our Savior Jesus Christ, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night Jesus was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said,
"Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now Christ's work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People **We celebrate Christ's death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Matriarchs and Patriarchs; God of our Savior Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

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

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises 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.

People **Amen.**

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People **We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant then continues

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

People and Celebrant

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 celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

THE FRACTION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Spiritual Communion is the devotional practice of asking to receive the inward and spiritual grace of Holy Communion when circumstances impede us from actually receiving the consecrated bread and wine.

All **Risen Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving and to proclaim your resurrection. We love you above all things, and long for you in our souls. Since we cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace and let us never be separated from you. Amen.**

MUSIC AT COMMUNION *Adagio in D Major*

ANTONIO VIVALDI

At the conclusion of Communion, a moment of silence is observed.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant *Let us pray.*

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.**

CLOSING MUSIC 302 — *Father, We Thank Thee Who Hast Planted* **RENDEZ À DIEU**

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Rendez À Dieu

ARR. STEPHEN JOHNSON

Altar flowers today are given by Ken and Tammy Breeden in thanksgiving of their 50th wedding anniversary.

MUSIC NOTES

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PRAYERS

Pray for those serving in the military: Alexis (Lexi) Reed, Will Corkins, and J. David Anderson-Lusk.

Pray for those who have died: Tucker; Gloria Tilford; Donald Yoder; Marsha Bacon; Nancy Rollins; Christopher "Chris" Erickson, son of Jennifer and Mark Erickson; David T. Childs; The Rev. Wayne Blakely; Jeff Gibson, son of Deacon Barbara Gibson; Larry Edwin Rahal, father of Nancy Carroll; and Caroline Rudnick-Rowley, wife of Bruce, mother of William and Madeline.

Pray for those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness or any other adversity:

Pray for Marge Rine, her son Wes, and the rest of their family. Pray also for Dal Harrison, her husband Rick, and their family. Pray for Joan Janzen and her daughter, Catherine. Please continue in your prayers for the recovery of Gary, Bill, and Pete. Lift up all people with COVID-19 and all health care workers. Please pray for Pam; LouAnn M.; Jayne; Iola; Martha; Betty; Gus; Jessica; Bob; Joe; Jean; Jerry; Teresa; Larry S.; Jan and Joan; Mary; Joann, Mike and their granddaughter, George; George II; Christina; Bill; Floyd; Gene; George; Jean; Jan and family; Ashley and Taylor; Carly, granddaughter of Delmar and Mary Klocke; Tom Tadtman, brother of Marilyn Taylor; Cindy, the daughter of Judy Thompson; Cathy; Joe Tanner; Kam; and The Rev. Jeff Roper, who is undergoing knee surgery June 23.

All members of our parish community are asked to pray for everyone on our prayer list. To share your prayers of thanksgiving (births, weddings, new jobs, anniversaries, etc.), to notify us that someone you love is serving in the military, to share that you or someone you love is suffering, or to tell us of a death, please call 316-683-5686 or email office@stjameswichita.org.

Please let us know if you would like to be removed from the list because your prayers have been answered.

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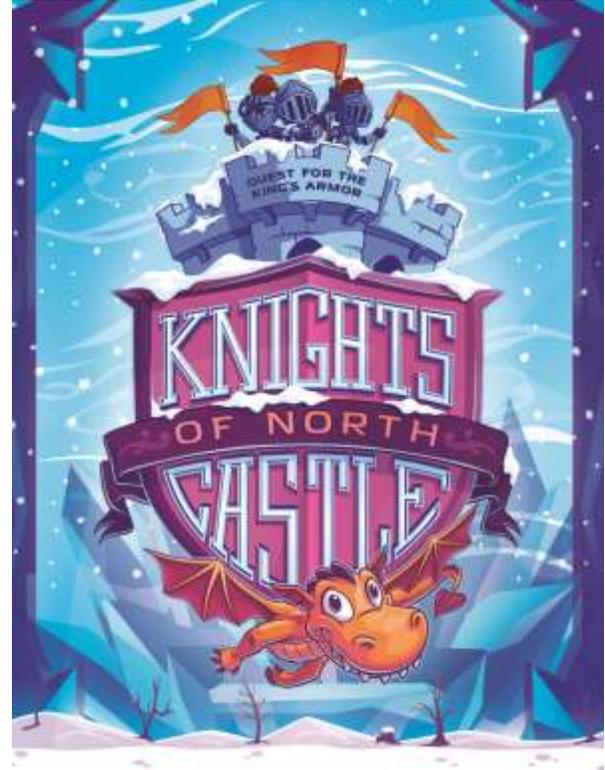
The St. James Summer Choir will sing in worship at 10:45 a.m. Sunday, June 20. All interested singers are invited to rehearse at 10 a.m. and then sing during the service. Please contact Marlene Hallstrom (music@stjameswichita.org) for more information. Come and make music to the glory of God!

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

The nursery is open and available but not staffed.

Mandatory VBS volunteer orientation is at 6:30 p.m. THIS Wednesday, June 16, in the Guild Hall for those who have signed up to volunteer. If you are unable to attend, please contact Chelsea, formation@stjameswichita.org. Get excited because it will be a blast!

Registration: Please, please, please register your kids for VBS today! It's coming up soon, and we need to ensure we have enough materials and volunteers for your kiddos. Masks are required. Register at www.myvbs.org/stjameswichita.



FOR OUR NEWCOMERS

Please be sure to grab a welcome card at the front desk or in a pew.

If you're a first-time visitor, we have a welcome bag for you at the entrance to the sanctuary.

We produce a weekly eTower newsletter and invite you to sign up for it on our website, www.stjameswichita.org or by calling or emailing the church at 316-683-5686 or office@stjameswichita.org.



SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

The Rev. Christine Gilson, Celebrant and Preacher
Jay Price, Verger
Marlene Hallstrom, Organist and Music Director
Michael Kephart and Suzanne Laycock, Readers
Rick Milhon, Alto Saxophone
Paul Rillema and Racine Zackula, Ushers
St. James Altar Guild
Derek Landwehr, Videographer



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