



ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

College Hill, Wichita, Kansas

5:30 PM, SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2023

8:30 AM AND 10:45 AM, SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

A directions about standing are for those who are able.

Masks are welcome, but not required.

HOLY EUCHARIST

THE PRELUDE

Shared on Sunday.

“Partita on ‘Nettleton’”

CALLAHAN

Bells may be rung. The people stand as they are able as the ministers enter.

THE OPENING HYMN

HYMN 518

Please remain standing as you are able. Sung on Sunday.

“Christ is made the sure foundation”

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

WELCOME AND EASTER ACCLAMATION

Please remain standing as you are able.

Presider Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Please remain standing as you are able.

Leader Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires are 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.**

Info for worship

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); Hymn numbers beginning with 'S' are found in the front of the Hymnal.

We have Answers

We can't solve the problems of the world ... our knowledge base and skill set are centered around the worship, liturgy, and proclamation of the Word in service to bringing us into engagement with the mystery and magnificence of God. To that end, if you have a question about something we do in worship, send an email, including your question, to motherdawn@stjameswichita.org.

First Sunday Giving

First Sunday Giving on the first Sunday of every month, the undesignated offering in the plate goes to support the discretionary fund accounts of our clergy. They use these gifts to assist parishioners in need, to give alms to the poor, and to support charitable causes.

THE SONG OF PRAISE

HYMN S278

Please remain standing as you are able. Spoken at 5:30 and 8:30. Sung at 10:45.

“Gloria in excelsis”

MATHIAS

All

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

Please remain standing as you are able.

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Presider Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Savior, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

ACTS 7:55-60

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. “Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” Then he knelt down and cried

out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he

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

THE RESPONSE *In te, Domine, speravi* **PSALM 31:1-5,15-16**

Please remain seated. Spoken at 5:30 & 8:30. Sung at 10:45.

The psalm may be spoken in unison, or responsively by whole or half verse.



- 1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to **shame**; *
deliver me in your righteous-**ness**.
- 2 Incline your ear to **me**; *
make haste to deliver **me**.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,
for you are my crag and my **stronghold**; *
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide **me**.
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for **me**, *
for you are my tower of **strength**.
- 5 Into your hands I commend my **spirit**, *
for you have redeemed me,
O Lord, O God of **truth**.
- 15 My times are in your **hand**; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute **me**.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your **servant**, *
and in your loving-kindness save **me**."

THE SECOND LESSON **1 PETER 2:2-10**

Reader A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in

Saying the Psalm

Each numbered verse of a psalm has two parts, half verses, which are marked in the middle by an asterisk. When we are not singing or saying the psalm in unison, we say it antiphonally. The Reader announces the way we will say the psalm, either in unison, or responsively by whole or half verse. The Reader always begins the first verse. If we read by half verse, then the congregation says the portion of the verse following the asterisk. When reading by whole verse, the Reader says the first whole verse, and the congregation says the next whole verse. This provides a rhythmical back-and-forth between Reader and the People.

Further information

Antiphonal recitation is verse-by-verse alternation between singers or readers of the Psalter. The term ‘antiphonal’ is from the Greek, meaning “voice against voice.” This is the traditional monastic method of chanting psalms and dates back to the 6th C. Chant was reformed in the Church of England in the 16th C. Today, when we read the psalm between scripture readings, it is called a responsorial psalm.

About the Gospels

The English word ‘gospel’ comes from the Anglo-Saxon *godspel*, or good news, translated from the Greek *euangelion*. In Christian usage, it means the good news of God’s saving act in Jesus Christ. The term ‘gospel’ came to designate a literary genre which told the story of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The New Testament contains four gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

Gospel in Liturgy

In the Episcopal liturgy, the gospel is the final reading from Holy Scripture at the Eucharist. It is proclaimed by a gospeler in holy orders. The 2nd Council of Nicaea in 787 decreed that icons, crosses, and gospel books could be venerated as sacred images, just as the incarnate Christ is the image of the invisible God. Today, many still choose to venerate the gospel book by bowing in reverence as it comes near.

scripture: “See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner”, and “A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because

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

THE GOSPEL HYMN

HYMN 213, v. 1-3

Please stand as you are able. Sung at 10:45.

“Come away to the skies”

MIDDLEBURY

Please turn to face the Gospel with reverence for the Word.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

JOHN 14:1-14

Please remain standing as you are able.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the

they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I

am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater

works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

Reader The Gospel of our Savior

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

SHANNON JOHNSTON, WORSHIP LEADER

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

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand as you are able.

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

Please remain standing as you are able.

Leader In joy and hope let us pray to God.

Leader That our risen Savior may fill us, and all who yearn for a better world, with the joy of Christ's glorious and life-giving

Leader resurrection ... We pray to you, O God.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength in the good news of Easter ... We pray to you, O God.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader That Christ may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love ... We pray to you, O God.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader That Christ may provide for those who lack food, work or shelter ... We pray to you, O God.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader That by Christ's power, war and famine may cease through all the world ... We pray to you, O God.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader That Christ may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak and the dying, to comfort and strengthen them, especially: _____ . We pray to you, O God.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader That, according to Christ's promises, all who have died in the faith of the resurrection may be raised on the last day ... We pray to you, O God.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader That Christ may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, so that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection ... We pray to you, O God.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Heavenly Father, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant that, as his death has recalled us to life, so his continual presence in us may raise us to eternal joy; through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

That blank space in the PoP

A pause in speaking the prayers is often taken during the Prayers of the People. At such times, you are invited to add your own intercessions to the prayers of the congregation either silently or aloud.

The Peace

This is a liturgical exchange of greeting and is a sign of reconciliation, love, and renewed relationships in the Christian community. Initiated by the Presider, who says, "The peace of Christ be always with you," the people respond, "And also with you." The gesture of Peace has been expressed in a variety of ways, including a kiss on the cheek, an embrace, a handclasp, or a bow. This is an ancient Christian practice. It has been associated with Romans 16:16, "Greet one another with a holy kiss," and similar passages.

INVITATION TO THE PEACE

Please remain standing as you are able.

Leader The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.

Presider The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The People greet one another in Christ while respecting the personal space of our neighbors. After greeting, please be seated for the announcements.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please remain seated.

HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Please remain seated.

Presider Risen Lord Jesus Christ, we believe you, and all we have heard is true. When you break bread may we recognize you as the fire that burns within us, that we may bring light to your world.
Amen.

THE OFFERTORY

On Sunday, please remain seated as the people's offering of bread and wine is brought forward. During the offertory music, the alms basins are passed in the pews.

THE OFFERTORY MUSIC

Please remain seated. Shared on Sunday.

8:30 am

PIANO VOLUNTARY

10:45 am

"Lord Make Me an Instrument of Thy Peace" MICHAEL GRAHAM

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

HYMN 198

Please stand as you are able as the ushers bring the People's offering to the altar. Sung on Sunday.

"Thou hallowed chosen morn of praise"

MACH'S MIT MIR, GOTT

THE PRESENTATION

Please remain standing as you are able.

Presider All things come of you, O God.

All **And of your own have we given you.**

The Historical Pax Board

In the late middle ages, a wooden plaque or plate with a handle was used to pass the peace without direct personal contact. It had an image of the crucifixion or other religious subject on the face. It was known as a Pax Board, Pax Brede, or Osculatorium. It was first kissed by the Presider, and then passed to other ministers and members of the congregation who also kissed it. The custom of passing the peace by use of a Pax Board is now obsolete. Today we might think of the Pax Board as a good way to spread a virus to the whole congregation.

Text Giving

You can now give to St. James using your mobile device!

Text **StJamesWichita** and the amount you want to give to **73256**

Click the link that is sent back to you.

Complete your gift using the online form provided.

[Example Message](#)

To: 73256

Text: StJamesWichita \$75

50 Days of Standing

We believe that through Christ's resurrection we are made worthy to stand before God. As a symbol of our participation in the resurrection we do not kneel during The Great Fifty Days of Easter.

Please remain standing as you are able.

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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 Christ's death he has destroyed death, and by Christ's 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 to the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS

HYMN S128

Please remain standing as you are able. Spoken at 5:30 & 8:30. Sung at 10:45.

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

MATHIAS

All **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 remain standing as able.

Presider 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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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."

Eucharist

The sacrament of the Eucharist is the principal act of Christian worship in our church. The term is from the Greek, "thanksgiving." Jesus instituted the Eucharist at the Last Supper where he shared bread and wine at a sacred meal with his disciples. Christ's sacrifice is made present in the Eucharist, and in it we are united to his one self-offering. The grace bestowed in Holy Communion augments (deepens, increases) faith, forgives sin, and strengthens of our charity. Everyone who seeks a deeper knowledge of Christ is welcome to receive the sacrament.

Presider After supper Jesus 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,

All **We remember Christ’s death, we proclaim Christ’s resurrection, we await Christ’s coming glory.**

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

Presider 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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, St. James, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Please remain standing as you are able.

Presider And now as our savior Christ has offered, we are bold to say:

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.**

Real Presence

The Episcopal Church teaches the real presence of Christ in the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Our Catechism notes that the inward and spiritual grace in the eucharist is “the Body and Blood of Christ given to his people and received by faith.” Belief in the real presence does not imply a claim to know how Christ is present in the eucharistic elements nor does it imply that the consecrated eucharistic elements cease to be bread and wine. Christ’s presence is made known in the gathered eucharistic community.

Going Deeper in Presence

The eucharistic theology of the real presence called transubstantiation is belief that the substance of Christ’s body and blood replaces the substance of the bread and wine, although the appearance of the bread and wine are unchanged. This is regarded as definitive in the Roman Catholic tradition. Anglicans (therefore, Episcopalians) believe in a balance of both an objective change of some kind in the eucharistic elements to become the body and blood of Christ, and the subjective faith of the believer who receives the sacrament.

Communion in One Kind

Our doctrine upholds the truth that the fullness of communion is available by receiving either the consecrated bread or wine. Communicants receive both the body and the blood in either the consecrated bread or the wine, though all are invited (as they are able) to receive both kinds. Our belief in the fullness of communion in one kind (bread or wine) is called the doctrine of concomitance. The term concomitance comes from the Latin, “to accompany.”

All members of our parish community are asked to pray for everyone on our prayer list. If you have prayers you would like added to the prayer list, please call or email the office. Office hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. If your prayers have been answered, we would love to rejoice with you. Contact the office at office@stjameswichita.org or 316-683-5686 to let us know that we can remove your prayer request.

The parish prayer list is available each week in the eTower email and in the service bulletin or insert. You are invited to take your bulletin with you so you can continue to pray for those on our list through the week.

THE FRACTION

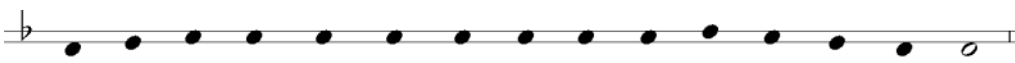
HYMN S152

Please remain standing. Spoken at 5:30 and 8:30. Sung at 10:45.

“Christ our Passover”

MARTENS

Presider Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;



All There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.



THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Please remain standing as you are able.

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

Please be seated. In the Easter Season, Holy Communion is shared at stations in the nave.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Please receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and sip the wine from the chalice, guiding it gently to your lips; or you may dip the wafer into the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, please indicate your choice by crossing your hands over your chest.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Shared at 10:45.

“Meditation”

CALLAHAN

COMMUNION HYMN

Sung on Sunday.

HYMN 525

“The Church's one foundation is”

AURELIA

A moment of silence is observed following Communion.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

Please stand as you are able.

All **Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. Amen.**

SENDING FORTH THE EUCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)

Please remain standing as you are able. 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.**

EASTER BLESSING

Please remain standing as you are able.

Presider The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Savior Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do God's 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.**

THE CLOSING HYMN

HYMN 536

Please remain standing as you are able. Sung on Sunday.

“Open your ears”

TORAH SONG

THE DISMISSAL

Please remain standing as you are able.

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People **Alleluia! Alleluia! Thanks be to God.**

THE POSTLUDE

Shared on Sunday.

“Fanfare”

CALLAHAN

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for my children and grandchildren, from Susan Stallings.

10:45 am service is streamed online by Wichita Livestream

Summer Variety

In June, July, and August we will make our worship full of life through the use of a variety of songs of praise instead of *The Gloria*. Each Sunday during this time a different version of the Lord's Prayer will be used. We will discuss the version of the week at Adult Forum in June and July.

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

The Rev. Canon Lisa Senuta, Presider
Shannon Johnston, Lay Worship Leader

Warren Kim, Choir Director

Dean Roush, Organist

Barbara Orsak, Pianist

Jeanne Kroeker, Oboe Soloist

St. James Choir

ACOLYTES:

Jay Price, Jason Fletcher

CHALICE BEARERS:

Adrienne Edwards, Jay Price, Michael Kephart, Necia Rillema

LECTORS:

Terry Anderson, Andrea Banke, LoWaine Robison, Richard Bowman

USHERS:

Jessica Moore, Woody Swain, Johnson Olanya, Paul Rillema

PARISH PRAYERS

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

The Church in Wales

In the World Council of Churches Cycle of Prayer: India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka**In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for the retired clergy of the diocese

Our seminarian, Maddy Bishop**Those serving in the military:**

John Kephart; Will Corkins;
Maureen Tanner

Those who have died in Mays past:

Aloha Ayers; Sharon K. Basham; H.
Marvin Bastian; Fred Bell; Helen Cabell;
Anne Caldwell; Merleyn Calvin; Alexandar
Carlson; Jane Ellet; Jo Ann Estes; Don
Foster; Julia Goodland; Dorothy
Goodpasture; Skip Hankins; Joseph
Hodnett; John Jaedicke; Verne Laing;
Barbara Mallonee; Frances I. McCoy;
Heather McEwen; Ernest McRae; Ryan
Reep; Michael Rogers; Chris Sifford;
Donna Stricklan; Gloria Tilford; Lucy
Gene Wendelken; Virginia Winters;
Donald Yoder; Janet Yoder

Those who have recently died:

Suzy Roper; Joyce T.; Maggie Hefling;
Terrisa Compton; Lafern McDonald; Larry
Heeren; Chris Rogers

Those in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness or any other adversity:

Ann B.; Curtis L.; Dalrona; Jan D.;
Daimon; Heather; Roger; Robin H.; Lisa
F.; Anna; Chris, Jeremy, Christopher H.;
Dick & Judy M.; Liz; Jaime; John O. and
family; Darwin P.; Brianna P.; Peer M.;
Drew H.; Kai; Ron D.; John R.; Janet R.;
Marge R.; Phil S., Celia B.; Sylvester;
Sharon & Jerry; Jan. M., Andy S.; Pat; Deb
H.; Bill and Jeri; Jayne P.; Barbara H.;
Helen B., Bill and Carolyn, Dave W.;
Carole; Bob and Sue; Dal; Gus; Joan J.;
Martha L.; Betty; Marcia & Lowell; Sage;
Joseph B.; Jerry M.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

MONDAY, MAY 8

5:30 pm - Contemplative Prayer Group
7:00 pm - Graduate EfM

TUESDAY, MAY 9

3:00 pm - Executive Committee
5:45 pm - Creation Care

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

6:00 pm - Choristers Rehearsal
6:00 pm - Handbell Rehearsal
6:30 pm - Education for Ministry (EfM)
7:00 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm - Middle & High School
Youth Group

THURSDAY, MAY 11

12:00 pm - The Book Club of St. James/
St. Stephens
5:30 pm - Finance Committee

SATURDAY, MAY 13

5:30 pm - In-Person Worship Service

SUNDAY, MAY 14

Youth & Graduate Sunday
8:30 am - In-Person Worship Service
9:45 am - Adult Forum
10:45 am - In-Person & Online Worship

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Old English Tea Update

When the Old English Tea was revamped in 2001, there were 94 written responses received during the comment period. This time there were 12. This is probably not an indication of apathy or disinterest, but merely a reflection of our dwindling numbers post-Covid. Certainly, it underscores the need to scale back the Tea to fit our capabilities if we are going forward.

Those who responded were overwhelmingly in favor of continuing the Tea and spoke of their fond memories, our long tradition, the fun of church fellowship, our contributions to charity, and the importance of offering St. James hospitality to our community. (Besides, what else would we do with all the dishes, décor, and beautiful silver service?)

However, some raised more pragmatic points: it's always difficult to find anyone willing to chair the event, we have a serious lack of volunteers, it has always been underpriced, the amount of work that goes into it is far greater than the dollars we raise, the Old English Tea is OLD, and lastly, the Tea was a project of ECW, which is no more.

On **May 21 after the 10:45 service**, there will be a short meeting in the Guild Hall to discuss the future of the Tea. **ALL who are interested are invited.** Please be a part of this!

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This **Sunday, May 7** are Children's Sunday School and Children's Chapel. Sunday School begins upstairs in the Kidz Zone at 9:30 am. All kids in preschool- 5th grade are welcome. Questions? Contact Chelsea.

The last **Daughters of the King** Meeting until September will be this **Sunday, May 7, 2023**. The meeting will be held in the Chapel between services, starting about 9:40am. We will be electing new officers for the 2023-2024 year. The motto of the Daughters of the King: For His Sake... *I am but one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. What I can do, I ought to do. What I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do. Lord, what will you have me do?*

Pentecost is on **Sunday, May 28, 2023**. We are looking for volunteers who are able to read in any language other than English, and would like to participate in the service by sharing the Acts reading (Acts 2:1-21). The black binder at the Volunteer Desk has copies of the reading in various languages. Feel free to pick one out to read on Pentecost. If you don't see the language you want to read, you are invited to look for a version online. We would be happy to keep a copy in the office for next year.

Please sign before next Sunday! Senior graduate books to sign: The congregation is encouraged to stop by the old Deacon's office and write a message in each of the "Oh The Places You Will Go" books to the graduating seniors (Lauren Schmeidler, Deacon Marlin, Talia Halley and/or William Compton). These books are ready for people to write in! They will be given to the seniors on Youth Sunday, May 14, 2023. If you have any questions, contact Anne Clark at aws1155@yahoo.com or 816-797-6177.

Articles for the next edition of **The Seasons** are due by **next Sunday, May 14**. This edition of The Seasons covers Pentecost and the beginning of Ordinary time in the Church.

Login to REALM and join the group called **Parish Prayer Chain** to pray for other members of this parish, or to ask for prayers from members.

Quilt Raffle Continues: After our successful kick-off, we look forward to selling more Quilt Raffle tickets following services the next three weeks. On **Sunday, May 28 after the 10:45 service**, at the Guild Hall reception for our excellent Choir Director, Warren Kim, we will draw for the lucky quilt winner. Buy your tickets this week. **One raffle ticket sells for \$5, but you can buy 5 tickets for \$20.** Remember that all proceeds go toward our St. James Refugee Project.

Other Fund Raisers for the Refugee Project: The Outreach Committee is planning two other "FUN"draisers for the St. James Refugee Project. We will hold a "Potato and Fixin's" dinner with Bingo for families at the summer's end, and we are planning an elegant "Art, Music, and Hors d'oeuvres" evening for the holiday season. Our Committee is determined to support the Refugee Project with adequate funds and with volunteer service.

Sandwich Saturday takes place every Saturday at St. Johns Episcopal Church on Topeka St. in downtown Wichita. St. James and St. Johns provide lunches once every three months, **our next sandwich Saturday's are June 10 and September 11**. If you volunteer to distribute we are there from 10:45 am to 11:30 or noon. If you would like to participate email Joan Bledsoe at pansy1918@icloud.com.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Episcopal Summer Mega Camp June 4-10 @ Camp Wood YMCA

Camp is 200 Episcopalians in a safe, fun, Christian community. Camp Wood YMCA features a variety of activities such as horseback riding, archery, climbing tower, zip-line, canoeing, kayaking, swimming, water slide, mud slide, arts and crafts, and sports. There is also a different fun activity planned each night, like paint-the-counselor, a talent show, and a dance.

The volunteer Episcopal staff provides Christian education, featuring worship, music, small group discussions, and prayer. The theme this year is "What's in a Name?". As we reflect on naming stories from scripture, the names of characters, and the names of those who have shaped us, we are comforted by a God who is bigger than all our questions.

Open to those who have finished grades 3-12, more information and registration available online!

<https://edokformation.wordpress.com/camp/>

Vacation Bible School

Join us this summer for Vacation Bible School! We are collaborating with 4 area churches, Grace Presbyterian, Plymouth Congregational, and College Hill UMC, for our first-ever Ecumenical VBS! This will bring lots of fresh ideas, volunteers, and kids. VBS will be July 17-21 from 5:30 (meal included) - 8:00 pm. It will be at College Hill UMC. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help with VBS this year, contact Chelsea at formation@stjameswichita.org



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New to St. James?

If you are new to St. James and haven't filled out a **Newcomer Card**, we would love to know more about you! Once we have a card from you, we will have a name badge ready for the following weekend.

Have you remembered the work of St. James in your planned giving?