



ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

College Hill, Wichita, Kansas

5:30 PM, SATURDAY APRIL 13, 2024

8:30 AM & 10:45 AM, SUNDAY APRIL 14, 2024

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER SERVICE FOR EARTH DAY

All directions about standing are for those who are able.

Masks are welcome, but not required.

If making manual acts is part of your piety, these symbols indicate appropriate times (among others) to make these motions.

✙ - reverence (bow)

✚ - sign of the cross

HOLY EUCHARIST

THE PRELUDE

“Lord Jesus Christ, you have prepared”

ARR. KEVIN HILDEBRAND

Bells may be rung.

THE OPENING HYMN

HYMN 182

Please stand as you are able. Sung on Sunday.

“Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing!”

TRURO

WELCOME & EASTER ACCLAMATION

Please remain standing.

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Please remain standing.

Presider 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.

Manual Acts

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Our Language

At St. James Church we use language which we hope expands our sense of God and includes all people as beloved children of God.

THE SONG OF PRAISE

HYMN S278

Please remain standing. The words below are spoken at 5:30. The words from the hymnal are sung at 8:30 and 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.

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Presider O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold Christ in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

ACTS 3:12-19

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter addressed the people, “You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man

strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. “And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In

this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.”

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 4

Please remain seated. The psalm may be spoken in unison, or responsively by whole or half verse. Sung at 10:45 by the choir. The people may join the choir in singing the psalm.

George Mursell Garrett



- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, de'fender of my' cause; *
 you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
 have mercy on' me and' hear my' prayer.
- 2 “You mortals, how long will you dis'honor my' glory; *
 how long will you worship dumb idols
 and' run after false' gods?”
- 3 Know that the LORD does' wonders for the' faithful; *
 when I call upon the' LORD, 'he will' hear me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and' do not' sin; *
 speak to your heart in' silence up' on your' bed.
- 5 Offer the ap' pointed' sacrifices *
 and' put your' trust in the' LORD.
- 6 Many are saying,
 “ Oh, that we might see' better' times!” *
 Lift up the light of your' countenance up' on us, O' LORD.
- 7 You have put' gladness in my' heart, *
 more than when grain and' wine and' oil in' crease.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I' fall a' sleep; *
 for only you, LORD, 'make me' dwell in' safety.

Easter Ritual

During the Fifty Days of Easter (the period of rejoicing in the Risen Lord between the Easter Vigil and Pentecost), the Paschal Candle is lighted at all services and “Alleluia” is said or sung on all possible occasions. The church is decorated festively. There is no fasting, and traditionally there was no kneeling. For those who are able, the absence of kneeling during the Easter season is observed at St. James. The congregation stands for the Eucharistic prayer and to receive communion, reviving the directive of the Council of Nicea which forbade kneeling during Eastertide. Traditionally, the liturgical color of the season is white, except for the Day of Pentecost, which is red.

At the still point of the universe
all that is not silence is song.
And all creation, hearing it,
dances for joy.

The song of the universe is
the song of life,
its rhythms defined by the
cadence of time,
its beauty in its holy
harmony.

The song is sung best when
sung by the heart.

alfred v. fedak - 2007

The Easter Season

Easter proclaims the Paschal mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and our participation in those mighty events. The central theme is our passage with Christ through the grave to the risen life, celebrated in baptism, in Eucharist, and in the Easter festival. The period from The Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost, gives us the opportunity to celebrate the resurrection begun in Christ, continued in the life of the apostolic Church, and working in us still. It encompasses Ascension Day and the Day of Pentecost, which are parts of the whole seasonal celebration.

Walk softly upon the earth.
May its beauty forever
surround you,
its wonders forever astound
you.

May its wisdom delight you,
its music invite you
to dance and to play and to
sing.

May you love and be loved
by all that you meet;
may you know and practice
compassion.

Rejoice in the earth and in all
of creation.

Rejoice in life.

*a parting blessing - alfred v.
fedak - 2008*

THE SECOND LESSON

1 JOHN 3:1-7

Reader A reading from the first letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify

themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

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 185

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

“Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands” CHRIST LAG IN TODESBANDEN

✙ *As the gospel book passes by. Please turn to face the Gospel with reverence for the Word.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 24:36B-48

Please stand as you are able.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, “Peace be with you.” They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy

they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them,

“Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

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

THE SERMON ELIZABETH WENGER, WORSHIP LEADER

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

THE NICENE CREED BCP 358

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.

Leader Let us pray for the revealing of the reign of God in the world, now and always.

Leader Creator of earth, sea, and sky, kindle the fire of your Spirit within us that we may be bold to heal and defend the earth, and

The Historic Creed

We say the Creed as our response to the Word of God. In these historic words, we take ownership of the Creed’s cosmic narrative about God’s disclosure to humanity. It affirms the source of everything that is including the story of Jesus becoming human. Its conclusion affirms the work of the Holy Spirit in the church, in one baptism, and in our hope for the life to come. The Nicene Creed is a sign of unity with Christians throughout all times and places. Though originally composed at an ancient time (325 CE), it expresses key insights into the nature of God and creation. This version follows the Greek original precisely by saying “was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,” to emphasize that Mary was an active participant in the Incarnation. The words “and the Son,” were not a part of the original Greek text of the Creed and are not included. At its General Convention of 1988 The Episcopal Church said they favored this omission. The decision was later approved by the Lambeth Conference of the Anglican Communion.

I am bowing my head
 In the eye of the Mother
 who gave me birth,
 In the eye of the Maiden
 who loves me,
 In the eye of the Crone who
 guides me in wisdom,
 In friendship and affection.
 Through thy gift of nature, O
 Goddess,
 Bestow upon us fullness in
 our need.
 Love towards the Lady,
 The affection of the Lady,
 The laughter of the Lady,
 The wisdom of the Lady,
 The passion of the Lady,
 The blessing of the Lady,
 And the magic of the Lady
 To do in the world of Abred,
 As the Ageless Ones do in
 Gwynfyd;
 Each shade and light,
 Each day and night,
 Each moment in kindness,
 Grant us Thy Sight.
*carmina gadelica - ancient
 celtic oral tradition*

I am every living being
 fearing nothing loving all
 I am part of living breathing
 heart wide open feeling all
 grateful living being loving
 all my life I'm one and all
 Sky above me Earth below
 me
 flying swirling through the
 all
 seeds of love are growing in
 me
 all of nature blooms along
 grace and joy I am unfolding
 grateful for my chance to
 grow
lizabeth gottsegen - 2012

Leader pour your blessing upon all who work for the good of the planet. *Silence.*

Leader God, Giver of life,
People **Hear our prayer.**
Leader Breath of life, receive our thanks for the beauty of our local habitat and all who dwell in it, and grant us the wisdom and will to conserve it. *Silence.*

Leader God, Giver of life,
People **Hear our prayer.**
Leader Source of life, heal and redeem the wounds of your creation, and visit the places and people who suffer from our indifference, neglect, and greed. *Silence.*

Leader God, Giver of life,
People **Hear our prayer.**
Leader Giver of all good gifts, awaken us daily to our dependence upon your bounty, and make us always thankful for the abundance of your blessings. *Silence.*

Leader God, Giver of life,
People **Hear our prayer.**
Leader Divine Physician, heal our communities, especially those where neglect, greed, or violence inflict suffering upon people and other creatures. *Silence.*

God, Giver of life,
Hear our prayer.
 Comforter of all the earth, sustain the people of this congregation who desire or need your presence and help _____ . *Silence.*

Leader God, Giver of life,
People **Hear our prayer.**
Leader Rock and refuge of all your creatures, receive into everlasting mercy all those who have died, especially _____ . *Silence.*

Leader God, Giver of life,
People **Hear our prayer.**
Presider Bountiful God, you call us to labor with you in tending the earth: Where we lack love, open our hearts to the world; where we waste, give us discipline to conserve; where we neglect, awaken our minds and wills to insight and care. May we with all your creatures honor and serve you in all things, for you live and reign with Christ, Redeemer of all, and with your Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE PEACE

Please remain standing.

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 neighbors.

After greeting, please be seated for the announcements.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated.

HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE OFFERTORY

Please remain seated.

Presider Remember the first believers who shared one heart and soul, held their possessions in common, and distributed them to all in need. In that same spirit, let us present our offerings at the feet of the risen Christ.

THE OFFERTORY

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.

“Because He Lives”

GLORIA & WILLIAM GAITHER

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

HYMN 198

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

“Thou Hallowed Chosen Morn of Praise”

MACH'S MIT MIR GOTT

THE PRESENTATION

Please remain standing.

Presider All things come of you, O God.

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

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.

Text Giving

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Click the link that is sent back to you.

Complete your gift using the online form provided.

[Example Message](#)

To: 73256

Text: StJamesWichita \$75

Messages and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel.

O Great Spirit of the North,
 Invisible Spirit of the Air,
 And of the fresh, cool winds,
 O vast and boundless Grand-
 father Sky,
 Your living breath animates
 all life.
 Yours is the power of clarity
 and strength,
 Power to hear the inner
 sounds,
 To sweep out the old pat-
 terns,
 And to bring change and
 challenge,
 The ecstasy of movement
 and the dance.
 We pray that we may be
 aligned with you,
 So that your power may
 flow through us,
 And be expressed by us,
 For the good of this planet,
 And all living beings upon it.
 O Great Spirit of the West,
 Spirit of the Great Waters,
 Of rain, rivers, lakes and
 springs.
 O Grandmother Ocean
 Deep matrix, womb of all
 life.
 Power to dissolve bounda-
 ries,
 To release holdings,
 Power to taste and to feel,
 To cleanse and to heal,
 Great blissful darkness of
 peace.
 We pray that we may be
 aligned with you,
 So that your powers may
 flow through us,
 And be expressed by us,
 For the good of this planet,
 And all living beings upon it.

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Please remain standing.

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them 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. 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. The words below are spoken at 5:30. The words from the hymnal are sung at 8:30 and 10:45.

“Holy, holy, holy Lord”

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 may stand.

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.

Presider

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.” ✙

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 in 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.

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, James, 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.

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.**

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O Great Spirit of the East,
Radiance of the rising Sun,
Spirit of new beginnings,
O Grandfather Fire, Great
nuclear fire -- of the Sun.
Power of life-energy, vital
spark,
Power to see far, and to
Imagine with boldness.
Power to purify our senses,
Our hearts and our minds.
We pray that we may be
aligned with you,
So that your powers may
flow through us,
And be expressed by us,
For the good of this planet
Earth,
And all living beings upon it.
O Great Spirit of the South,
Protector of the fruitful
land,
And of all green and grow-
ing things,
The noble trees and grasses,
Grandmother Earth, Soul of
Nature.
Great power of the recep-
tive,
Of nurturance and endur-
ance,
Power to grow and bring
forth Flowers of the field,
Fruits of the garden.
We pray that we may be
aligned with you,
So that your powers may
flow through us,
And be expressed by us,
For the good of this planet
Earth,
And all living beings upon it.
*four elements medicine
wheel - ralph metzner*

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 self-offering. By the grace bestowed in Holy Communion we stand with the risen Christ to receive the Sacrament in the Nave.

The earth is full of your goodness,
your greatness and understanding,
your wisdom and harmony.
How wonderful are the lights that you created.
You formed them with strength and power and they shine very wonderfully on the world, magnificent in their splendour.
They arise in radiance and go down in joy.
Reverently they fulfill your divine will.
They are tributes to your name
as they exalt your sovereign rule in song.
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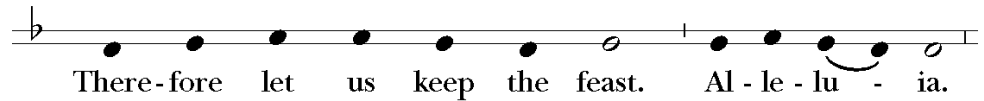
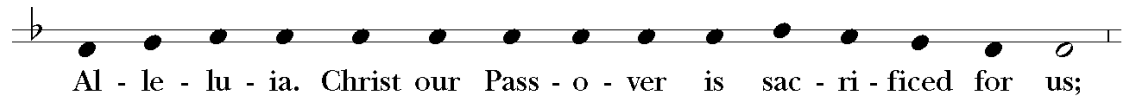
THE FRACTION

HYMN S152

Please remain standing. The words below are spoken at 5:30. The words from the hymnal are sung at 8:30 and 10:45.

"Christ our Passover"

MARTENS



AGNUS DEI

HYMN S165

Please remain standing. The words below are spoken at 5:30. The words from the hymnal are sung at 8:30 and 10:45.

"Jesus, Lamb of God"

MATHIAS

Presider Jesus, Lamb of God:

All **Have mercy on us.**

Presider Jesus, bearer of our sins:

All **Have mercy on us.**

Presider Jesus, redeemer of the world:

All **Give us your peace.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Please remain standing.

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

Please be seated. 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, indicate your choice by crossing your hands over your chest.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Please be seated.

"Improv. on 'Unser Herrscher'"

COMMUNION HYMN

HYMN 180

Please remain seated.

"He is Risen, He is risen!"

UNSER HERRRSCHER

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. 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.

Presider May Almighty God, who redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Savior, bestow upon you the riches of blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you for always. **Amen.**

THE CLOSING HYMN

Please remain standing.

“This Joyful Eastertide”

HYMN 192

VRUECHTEN

How wonderful, O Lord, are
the works of your hands!
The heavens declare Your
glory,
the arch of the sky displays
Your handiwork
In Your love You have given
us the power
to behold the beauty of
Your world
robed in all its splendor.
The sun and the stars, the
valleys and the hills,
the rivers and the lakes all
disclose Your presence.
The roaring breakers of the
sea tell of Your awesome
might,
the beast of the field and
the birds of the air
bespeak Your wondrous
will.
In Your goodness You have
made us able to hear
the music of the world.
The voices of the loved ones
reveal to us that You are in
our midst.
A divine voice sings through
all creation.
traditional jewish prayer

THE DISMISSAL

Please remain standing.

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

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

THE POSTLUDE

“Grand Choeur”

CESAR FRANCK

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God.

If you would like to give flowers for the altar to honor or memorialize loved ones, you can reserve a date by signing up on the sheet in the hallway or by calling or sending an email to the parish office, office@stjameswichita.org. The arrangements are \$80 and should be paid for before the date you have chosen on the calendar.

The 10:45 am service is streamed by Wichita Livestream.

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SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

The Rev. Dawn Frankfurt, Rector
Dakota Bennett, Organist
Elizabeth Wenger, Lay Worship Leader

SATURDAY, 5:30 PM

Chalice Bearer - Mary Halley

Lector - Mary Halley

SUNDAY, 8:30 AM

Acolyte - Deb Bagby

Chalice Bearer - Margi Young

Lector - Dave McDonald, Susan

Stallings

Usher - Janet Newlin

SUNDAY, 10:45 AM

Acolyte -

Chalice Bearer - Mary Halley, Rick
Milhon

Lector - Rob Compton, Mary Druding

Usher - Deb Hager, Jeanne Kroeker

PARISH PRAYERS

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

In the World Council of Churches Cycle of Prayer: Belarus, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine

In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer: Pray for St. Mark's, Blue Rapids

Our seminarian, Maddy Bishop

Those discerning a call to the priesthood: Paul Leeker, Elizabeth Wenger

Those serving in the military: Davis Jackson; Will Corkins; Maureen Tanner

Those in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness or any other adversity: Helene; Fred; Gerry H.; Gail P.; Thelma; Tom H.; Bill M.; Robin S.; Erin C.; Joan M.; Peg B.; Diana M.; Ed & Kim; Susan G.; Peggy S.; Jean E.; Kelby; Judy T.; Mary; Darwin P.; Sam & Beth; Barbara S.; Hazel S.; Allie N.; Kris S.; Judy; Larry R.; Jodie & family; Simon family; Nancy C.; Drew H.; Elena S.; Bella P.; Ann B.; Daimon; Anna; Dick & Judy; Liz; Peer M.; Brianna P.; Sylvester; Sharon & Jerry; Jan M.; Pat; Andy S.; Sue C.; Martha L.; Joseph B.; Joan J.; Jayne P.; Deb H.; Dal H.; Carole

Those who have recently died: Terry House; Jeri Moss; Peter Criss; John Osborne; Amanda Alonso; Bud Roller

Some who have died in April in the past: Martha Allen; Glenn Cooper; Jean Crutchfield; Peggy Joy Day; Mildred Early; Betty J. Bowman Edwards; Gary Fast; Thomas Faulkner; Kendall Curtis Jones; Susan Jones; Sharon Lawrence; Beverly McCausland; Jan Moreland; Thelma Ross; Bettie Jane Salter; Arthur Skaer; Mary Smith (Solbach); Larry Soice; Sharon Spencer; Nancy Tapp; Marie Taylor; Kansa H. Unruh; Earl Whepley; Mary Yeager

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

MONDAY, APRIL 15

3:00 pm - Memorial Service for John Osborne

6:30 pm - Contemplative Prayer Group

7:00 pm - Graduate EfM

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

6:00 pm - Sacred Ground

7:00 pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

6:30 pm - Choristers Rehearsal

7:00 pm - Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

12:00 pm - The Book Club of St. James/
St. Stephens

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

5:30 pm - Worship Service

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

8:30 am - Worship Service

9:45 am - Adult Forum

10:45 am - Worship Service

12:00 pm - Olde English Tea Meeting

6:30 pm - Youth Group

SAVE THE DATE

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

As you may have heard, St. James has joined with 34 other faith communities coming together to form an organization called Justice Together. Hundreds of Sedgwick County's faithful have spent many hours meeting and doing research since November 9, 2023, when we chose to work on Mental Health and Homelessness issues in our community.

With God's help, we are now prepared to come together on May 9, 2024 to do justice and present our well researched and thought-out solutions to our county and city officials. We hope and pray that as many of you as possible will join us for this Nehemiah Assembly. (O.T. Nehemiah 5:6-8)

May we count on you to join us for this historic event on May 9th at 6pm at Century II Convention Hall located at 225 W. Douglas? Please reply with your confirmation and use this link to register: tinyurl.com/greatassembly24 Or let one of us know personally. Car Pooling and offering rides to others would be of great help!

We will be following up with a reminder, further details, and a ticket closer to the date of the event. For now, please just let us know if we can count on you to be there. If you have any additional questions just let us know.

With gratitude for your support,
Vicki Evans, Shirley and Scott Orr, The Rev. Joseph Bayles

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

To kick off the celebration of **Earth Day**, the Creation Care Committee will join with the youth of the church to establish a small **Monarch Waystation** on the west side of the church. The ceremony will take place this Sunday between the two services nearing the end of the breakfast. While it is too early to plant the native milk weed and other habitat that will form the heart of the garden, we will be establishing the garden's location with signs and a special blessing from Mother Dawn. Our youth and others are invited to visit the table as you move into the breakfast area to find materials to designate the garden's location. Join us on Sunday for this special occasion.

Youth Sunday is April 28. Come and show your support for the youth of St. James, followed by the **fourth Sunday potluck lunch** around noon!

Attention high school students and parents: We are planning to take high school students to Washington D.C. in the summer of 2025. If you have a student that would be interested in attending, please let either Chelsea or Anne Clark know so we can start fundraising to cover expenses.

Calling all owners of **gently used fancy hats and upscale handbags** to put on sale at the Olde English Tea. What a difference your items can make to help support our outreach in Wichita and our church. Please call or e-mail Vicki Evans at vevans4695@gmail.com or call at 801-232-5150.

Mark your calendar for the next **OET major meeting** before the event on **April 21st after the 10:45 Service**. This is an all hands on deck meeting.

I've been busy canning for the Old English Tea Bake Shop and Pantry. I'll gladly take your **unwanted pint and half pint canning jars** - just leave them by the front desk. So far, I've made apple butter, orange marmalade, sweet heat jalapeños, old fashioned corn relish, strawberry, fruits of the forest, and carrot cake jam. Be sure to shop our bake sale! Thanks - Peg Bowman

The **Creation Care Committee** meeting this week reviewed a legislative update about legislation of interest. A copy of the summary can be accessed on the Creation Care page of the St. James website.

The St. James Outreach Committee invites YOU to join us for a special one hour tour of the **Sedgwick County Child Advocacy Center** at 1211 S. Emporia on Tuesday, May 7 at 3:30 p.m. We will gather in the St. James parking lot at 3 pm on May 7 to carpool. We will learn a great deal about the issues of child abuse and neglect as well as family therapy. Bring a friend and join us, but please email Judy Goodpasture with your names.

We need Nursery Volunteers! If you are interested or want more info, contact Chelsea at formation@stjameswichita.org. Thanks to Deb Bagby, Claudette Johns, and Susie Stallings, who already volunteer.

BENEFACTORS OF THE 2024 OLDE ENGLISH TEA

Anonymous

Dr. Donna Sweet

Are you interested in being a Benefactor for the morning seating of the tea, or do you want more information about the levels of sponsorship available? Check out our sponsorships opportunities on our website at www.stjameswichita.org



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OLDE ENGLISH TEA

JOIN US FOR A CUP OF KINDNESS
ON SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024

A traditional English tea, plus fashion
show, musical entertainment, and raffle.
Mimosas will be available.

TWO SEATINGS

Morning Tea from 10:00 am to Noon

Afternoon Tea from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

ENGLISH MARKETPLACE

with baked goods, flowers,
designer purses, and more!

TICKETS

\$30 Adults

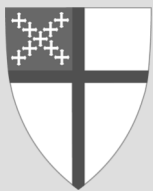
\$10 Children

Children are ages 5-12;
only children 5 and
older, please.

All proceeds benefit
Episcopal Social Services, St.
James' Refugee Outreach
Program, and St. James Church

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Tickets can be purchased online at
www.stjameswichita.org/engage/olde-english-tea
at the parish office, or at the door (if still available)



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Weekly Eucharist Services
Saturday at 5:30 pm
Sunday at 8:30 am & 10:45 am

Adult Forum
Every Sunday at 9:45 am
(except second Sundays)

Parish Breakfast
Second Sundays at 9:30 am

**Children's Sunday School and
Children's Chapel**
First Sunday of each month,
starting at 9:30 am

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! After receiving a card, we will have a name badge ready for the following weekend.

WELCOME TO ST. JAMES

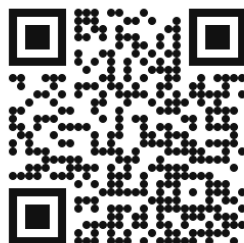
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**WHOEVER YOU ARE AND WHEREVER YOU FIND
YOURSELF ON YOUR JOURNEY OF FAITH,
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.**

You will hear these words every week at St. James as we invite you to join us for the Word and Sacraments that are God's gifts to all. It does not matter who you are, what you look like, what you have done in the past, or who you love. God's grace is not petty; it is not earned. It is radical and universal. We at St. James seek to mirror God's healing love by making this community a safe place for skeptics, doubters, seekers, those who have been wounded by the church, those who have never darkened its doors, those who have wandered, as well as new believers and those who have never left. As a diverse community we have discovered in God a oneness greater than our differences. We have come to know that our variety reflects the divine comprehensiveness of God. Engaging God is a lifelong process. Wherever you find yourself on your journey of faith, we believe God invites you to keep traveling. In some subtle or profound way, the Spirit of God drew you here. Our hearts are open to God and to you.

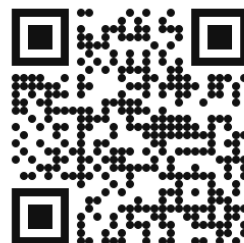
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