

# The Spirit of St. James

The Newsletter from St. James Episcopal Church

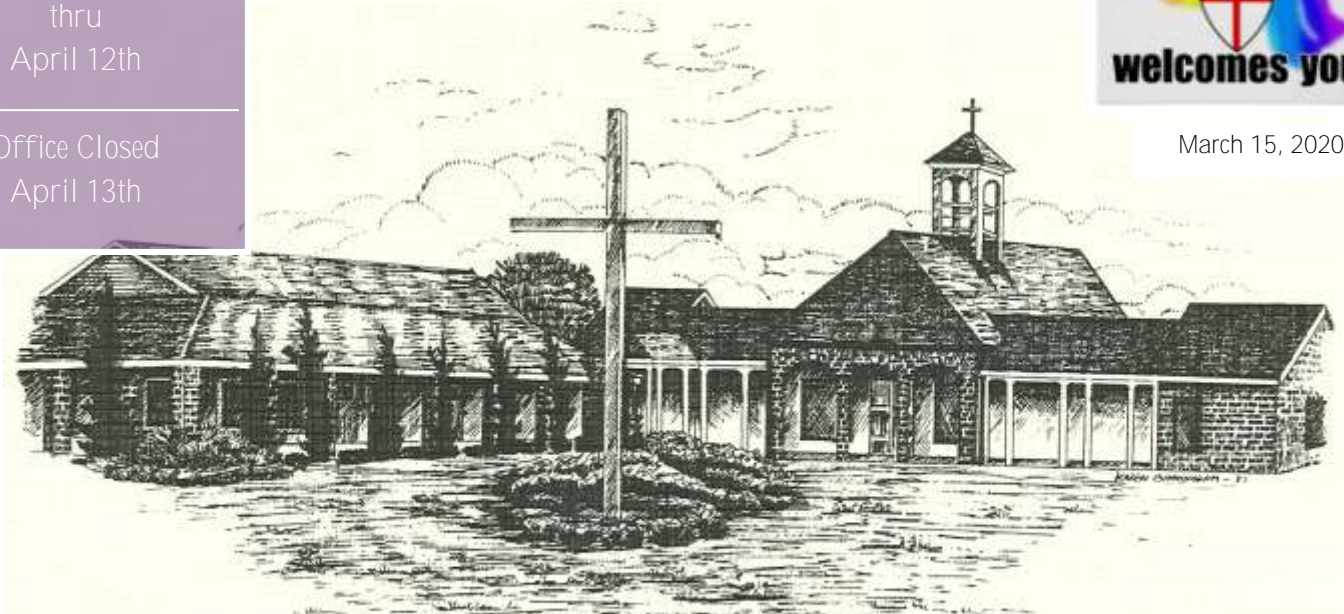
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## *A Message from our Priest*

As a parish priest, I inevitably spend a lot of time alone in a quiet church. But to do so on a Sunday morning is an entirely different experience. As I sat alone in the church on that first Sunday to catch anyone who didn't get the memo that services have been suspended, the feeling of isolation finally hits home. It's as if Good Friday has come early and all the symbols of our joy and our hope have been stripped away. All of our best-laid plans and preparations for a Sunday of praise and worship have been usurped by forces well outside our control.



**But as Christians learned long ago, it's in these moments of what our tradition calls "spiritual desolation" that there is in fact an opportunity for growing closer to God. Unable to rely on the comforting and stable patterns and traditions of our public worship on Sunday I am called instead to cling to God all the more in my personal prayer. I am called to reinvigorate the small and simple religious practices that saturate the home and daily life with reminders of God's presence. God is still here in this empty church and God is there in the homes of everyone practicing social distancing or in quarantine.**

After all, on Good Friday and Holy Saturday, when everyone thought that Jesus Christ was dead, he was, in fact, busy at work overthrowing the devil and breaking down the very gates of hell. And he is at work now too, calling on us to cling to him all the more and to ask for his grace in sustaining us through this time of desolation.

As the Church we are all called to continue in our prayers, to serve those in need, and to announce to the world that we need not fear for we have placed our hope in the risen Christ who has promised us that we shall not perish. While we may not be able to meet in person for a while we can still pray together, joining with Christians all over the world, and with that great cloud of witnesses in heaven, by praying the Daily Office or a similar method of daily prayer. Now more than ever we are called to be a beacon of hope as we check in with one another and with the poor and alone.

And so my prayers continue for all of you, for the sick and the vulnerable, for the isolated and alone, and for all those making the necessary sacrifices to serve the common good.

*In Christ,  
-Fr. James*

This special edition of the newsletter is intended to be a resource to help all parishioners continue to worship from home. Three services are included so you can follow along with Facebook Live Services being recorded regularly, or use them to worship individually. Additionally, you'll find website information for spiritual growth.

***Morning Prayer, Rite II:***

**Acclamation**

BCP 76

*The Officiant begins the service with one or more of these sentences of Scripture.*

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *I John 1:8, 9*

Rend your hearts and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.

*Joel 2:13*

I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son." *Luke 15:18, 19*

To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, because we have rebelled against him and have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God by following his laws which he set before us. *Daniel 9:9, 10*

Jesus said, "If anyone will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me."

*Mark 8:34*

**Confession of Sin**

BCP 79

*The Officiant says to the people*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People together, all kneeling*

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. ***Amen.***

*The Deacon alone says*

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

***LITURGY OF THE WORD***

**The Invitatory and Psalter**

BCP 80

***All stand***

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.

*People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*Officiant and People*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. ***Amen.***

**Venite** *Psalm 95:1-7*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.  
 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.  
 For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.  
 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his also.  
 The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands have molded the dry land.  
 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
 For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*  
 Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

**The Psalm or Psalms Appointed**

*At the end of the Psalms is said*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

**The Lessons**

**First Lesson**

Canticle 16

*Benedictus Dominus Deus*

BCP 92

**The Song of Zechariah** *Luke 1: 68-79*

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; he has come to his people and set them free.  
 He has raised up for us a mighty savior, born of the house of his servant David.  
 Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies,  
 from the hands of all who hate us.  
 He promised to show mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant.  
 This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, to set us free from the hands of our enemies,  
 Free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.  
 You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,  
 for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,  
 To give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins.  
 In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us,  
 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, \*  
 and to guide our feet into the way of peace.  
 Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

**The Lessons**

**Second Lesson**

Canticle 21

*Te Deum laudamus*

BCP 95

**You Are God** *Te Deum laudamus*

You are God: we praise you; You are the Lord; we acclaim you;  
 You are the eternal Father: All creation worships you.  
 To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:  
 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
 The glorious company of apostles praise you. The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.  
 The white-robed army of martyrs praise you. Throughout the world the holy Church acclaim you;  
 Father, of majesty unbounded, your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
 and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.  
 You, Christ, are the king of glory, the eternal Son of the Father.

When you became man to set us free you did not shun the Virgin's womb.  
 You overcame the sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.  
 You are seated at God's right hand in glory. We believe that you will come and be our judge.  
 Come then, Lord, and help your people, bought with the price of your own blood,  
 and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.

**Gospel**

**Sermon**

The Rev. W. James Yazell

**The Apostles' Creed**

BCP 96

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

**The Lord's Prayer**

BCP 97

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

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.*

**Suffrages A**

BCP 97

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
- R. And grant us your salvation.
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
- R. Let your people sing with joy.
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- R. For only in you can we live in safety.
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
- R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;
- R. Your saving health among all nations.
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
- R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
- R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

**The Collect of the Day**

*A Collect for the Renewal of Life*

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

***A Collect for Peace***

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

***A Collect for Grace***

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

***A Collect for Guidance***

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

***Prayer for Mission***

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. *Amen.*

*Authorized intercessions and thanksgivings may follow.*

***The General Thanksgiving***

*Officiant and People*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.*

***A Prayer of St. Chrysostom***

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

*Then may be said*

Let us bless the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

*The Officiant may then conclude with the following*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.* *2 Corinthians 13:14*



# Stuck at home but still want to experience the Lenten season?

The Living Church compiled a list of Lenten themed and related movies that might be worth a watch. This list can be found at <https://livingchurch.org/2020/02/28/seen-any-good-lent-movies-lately/>.

## **For Men**

**He Reads Truth** and **She Reads Truth** are worldwide communities who read God's Word together every day. Founded in 2015 and 2012, He Reads Truth and She Reads Truth invite men and women to engage with Scripture through daily curated reading plans, online conversation led by a smart and thoughtful community of contributors, and resources created at the intersection of beauty, goodness and Truth. This community of "Men and Women in the Word of God every day" represents a long list of cities and countries, a variety of backgrounds and traditions, and countless real-life stories. But there is a commonality that binds us: we believe God's Word is Truth. So we read. Every day we read a new passage together—working our way through books of the Bible, topics that matter, and seasons of the Church calendar. We engage with God's Word and with each other. And we keep coming back, on the hard days and the good days, because God and His Word never change, regardless of our circumstances. More information can be found at <https://hereadstruth.com/>.

**Lifeway Men's Ministries** offers several resource for fellowship, worship and transformation. They offer a blog, Bible studies and other online resource. These are available at <https://www.lifeway.com/en/shop/ministries/men>.

**Every Man Ministries** was founded in 2000 by Kenny Luck to revolutionize men's ministry, free men spiritually and ignite spiritual health worldwide. Working as a church-based, church-to-church movement of intentional men's ministry they strive to create a movement of God's men who are empowered to lead others on a meaningful journey into personal character and leadership, ultimately having a positive impact on generations of women, children and families. Their blog and podcast can be found at <https://www.everymanministries.com/>

## **For Women**

**Proverbs 31 Ministries** is a non-denominational, non-profit Christian ministry that seeks to lead women into a personal relationship with Christ, with Proverbs 31:10-31 as a guide. They offer daily devotionals, blogs and podcasts. Their free online Bible study of Danger Prayers by Craig Groeschel begins on April 6th and all are invited to join. For more information, go to <https://www.proverbs31.org/>

**She Reads Truth** is a worldwide community of women who read God's Word together every day. Founded in 2012, She Reads Truth invites women of all ages to engage Scripture through curated daily reading plans, as well as online conversation led by a vibrant community of contributing writers. This community of "Women in the Word of God every day" represents a long list of cities and countries, a variety of backgrounds and traditions, and countless real-life stories. But there is a commonality that binds us: we believe God's Word is Truth. So we read. Every day we read a new passage together—working our way through books of the Bible, topics that matter, and seasons of the Church calendar. We engage with God's Word and with each other. And we keep coming back, on the hard days and the good days, because God and His Word never change, regardless of our circumstances. For more information go to <https://shereadstruth.com/>

**Lifeway Women's Ministries** provides biblical solutions for churches, small groups and individuals, engaging women to know Jesus, to seek His kingdom and be spiritually transformed and equipped for service. They offer online Bible studies, blogs and articles. Their current online Bible study is covering Finding God Faithful by Kelly Minter. For more information go to <https://www.lifeway.com/en/shop/ministries/women>

**(In)Courage** is a friend that comes alongside you. We aren't offering quick fixes for your struggles, but rather, a community that clings to the hope of Jesus and life-giving tools to equip you right in the midst of the chaos. Through blog posts, book clubs, one-of-a-kind products, and sharing encouragement on all our social media channels, our heart is to help every woman become a woman of courage and live out her calling as God's daughter. For more information go to <https://www.incourage.me/>.

# St. James Episcopal Church April

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5 <i>Palm Sunday</i> <u>The Service Will Be Conducted via Facebook Live Stream</u> <b>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</b> Karen Waguespack	6	7	8 Se  HAPP Pa
12 <i>Easter</i> <u>The Service Will Be Conducted via Facebook Live Stream</u>	13 <i>Office Closed</i>	14	15 10
19 8:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:15 AM Coffee 11:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II  <b>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</b> Tricia James	20	21	22 10  HA
26 8:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:15 AM Coffee 11:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II	27	28	29 10  HA





## An Order of Service for Noonday

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us.

*People* O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Psalm 119 *Lucerna pedibus meis*

105 Your word is a lantern to my feet \* and a light upon my path.  
106 I have sworn and am determined \* to keep your righteous judgments.  
107 I am deeply troubled; \* preserve my life, O LORD, according to your word.  
108 Accept, O LORD, the willing tribute of my lips, \* and teach me your judgments.  
109 My life is always in my hand, \* yet I do not forget your law.  
110 The wicked have set a trap for me, \* but I have not strayed from your commandments.  
111 Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; \* truly, they are the joy of my heart.  
112 I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes \* for ever and to the end.

Psalm 121 *Levavi oculos*

1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; \* from where is my help to come?  
2 My help comes from the LORD, \* the maker of heaven and earth.  
3 He will not let your foot be moved \* and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.  
4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel \* shall neither slumber nor sleep;  
5 The LORD himself watches over you; \* the LORD is your shade at your right hand,  
6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, \* nor the moon by night.  
7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; \* it is he who shall keep you safe.  
8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, \* from this time forth for evermore.

Psalm 126 *In convertendo*

1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, \* then were we like those who dream.  
2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, \* and our tongue with shouts of joy.  
3 Then they said among the nations, \* "The LORD has done great things for them."  
4 The LORD has done great things for us, \* and we are glad indeed.  
5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, \* like the watercourses of the Negev.  
6 Those who sowed with tears \* will reap with songs of joy.  
7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, \* will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

*At the end of the Psalms is sung or said*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

*One of the following, or some other suitable passage of Scripture, is read*

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. *Romans 5:5*

*People* Thanks be to God.

*A meditation, silent or spoken, may follow.*

*The Officiant then begins the Prayers*

Lord, have mercy.  
*Christ, have mercy.*  
Lord, have mercy.

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.**

*Officiant* Lord, hear our prayer;  
*People* And let our cry come to you.  
*Officiant* Let us pray.

*The Officiant then says one of the following Collect. If desired, the Collect of the Day may be used.*

Heavenly Father, send your Holy Spirit into our hearts, to direct and rule us according to your will, to comfort us in all our afflictions, to defend us from all error, and to lead us into all truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Blessed Savior, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms: Grant that all the peoples of the earth may look to you and be saved; for your tender mercies' sake. **Amen.**

Almighty Savior, who at noonday called your servant Saint Paul to be an apostle to the Gentiles: We pray you to illumine the world with the radiance of your glory, that all nations may come and worship you; for you live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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

*Free intercessions may be offered.*

*The service concludes as follows*

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.  
*People* Thanks be to God.



**Faith at Home** provides a lectionary-based devotional resource for families of all shapes and sizes. The devotions on this site have been written with this practice in mind. Use them with friends or family to help you deepen your experience of faith experience from Monday-Saturday. These devotionals and other resources can be found at <https://www.dofaithathome.org/>.

## An Order for Compline

*The Officiant begins*

The Lord Almighty grant us a peaceful night and a perfect end. **Amen.**

*Officiant* Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

*People* The maker of heaven and earth.

*The Officiant may then say*

Let us confess our sins to God.

*Officiant and People*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father: We have sinned against you, through our own fault, in thought, and word, and deed, and in what we have left undone. For the sake of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us all our offenses; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your Name. **Amen.**

*Officiant*

May the Almighty God grant us forgiveness of all our sins, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

*The Officiant then says*

O God, make speed to save us.

*People*

O Lord, make haste to help us.

*Officiant and People*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

*One or more of the following Psalms are sung or said. Other suitable selections may be substituted..*

### **Psalm 4** *Cum invocarem*

1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender 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 dishonor 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 upon your bed.

5 Offer the appointed 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 upon us, O Lord.

7 You have put gladness in my heart, \* more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; \* for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

### **Psalm 31** *In te, Domine, speravi*

1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame: \* deliver me in your righteousness.

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.



V. Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit;

R. For you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

V. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;

R. Hide us under the shadow of your wings.

Lord, have mercy.

*Christ, have mercy.*

Lord, have mercy.

*Officiant and People*

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.

*Officiant* Lord, hear our prayer;

*People* And let our cry come to you.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*The Officiant then says one of the following Collects*

Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. ***Amen.***

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this life may rest in your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Look down, O Lord, from your heavenly throne, and illumine this night with your celestial brightness; that by night as by day your people may glorify your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Visit this place, O Lord, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy; let your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let your blessing be upon us always; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

***A Collect for Saturdays***

We give you thanks, O God, for revealing your Son Jesus Christ to us by the light of his resurrection: Grant that as we sing your glory at the close of this day, our joy may abound in the morning as we celebrate the Paschal mystery; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

*One of the following prayers may be added*

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. ***Amen.***

*or this*

O God, your unfailing providence sustains the world we live in and the life we live: Watch over those, both night and day, who work while others sleep, and grant that we may never forget that our common life depends upon each other's toil; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***



*Our Mission Statement: A COMMUNITY CALLED BY GOD TO WORSHIP,  
LOVE, AND SERVE.*

*Our Schedule of Services:*

*Sunday—Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 8:30am*

*followed by Coffee Hour and donuts in the Parish Hall*

*Sunday School, 9:45am*

*Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 with music 11:00am*



**ALL UPCOMING EVENTS AND SERVICES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

Father James is leading morning prayer daily at **9:10 a.m.** via a live feed on the St. James Facebook page.

**Readings for the Upcoming Sundays**

**March 29**

Ezekiel 37:1-14  
Psalm 130  
Romans 8:6-11  
John 11:1-45

**April 10**

**Good Friday**

Acts 4:1-12  
Psalm 116:1-8  
John 21:1-14

**April 5**

**Palm Sunday**

Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Psalm 31:9-16  
Philippians 2:5-11  
Matthew 27:11-54

**April 12**

**Easter Sunday**

Jeremiah 31:1-6  
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
Acts 10:34-43  
John 20:1-18

If you would like to receive Children's Study and Worship materials via emails, contact Debbie Fitzpatrick at [fitzpatricktdbr@bellsouth.net](mailto:fitzpatricktdbr@bellsouth.net).

	<i>Second Sunday of Easter</i> 19-Apr	<i>Third Sunday of Easter</i> 26-Apr
	Acts 2:14a, 22-32 Psalm 16 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31	Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35
VESTRY PERSON ALTAR GUILD	Betty McDonald Kathy Watkins Faye Wynn <b>Praise Team</b>	Lisa Lewis Debbie Fitzpatrick Kelly Parker <b>Choir</b>
MUSIC		
<b>8:30 SERVICE</b>		
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER LECTORS ACOLYTES USHERS	Lynette van Heerden Pat Parker Melanie Winkler Debbie Fitzpatrick	Brody Fitzpatrick Janie Parker Kelly Parker Pat Parker
<b>11:00 SERVICE</b>		
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER LECTORS ACOLYTES USHERS	Ken Murphy Julie Eason Kelsey Leftwich-Yazell Betty McDonald Tricia James	Kelsey Leftwich-Yazell Sissy Brown David Scott Mike Kendrick Kathy Watkins

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