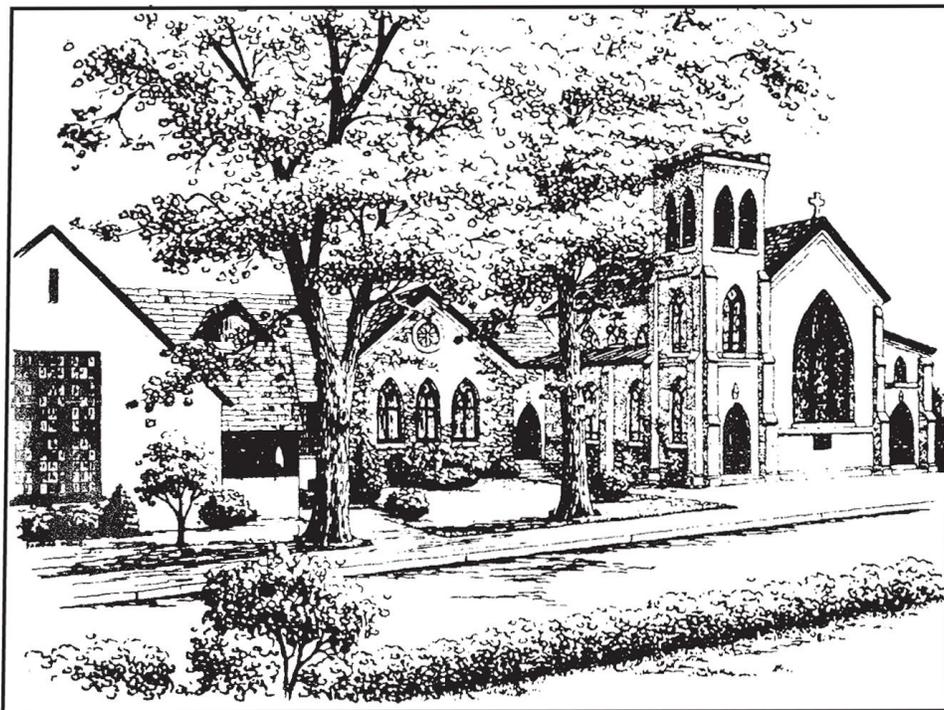


Saint James' Episcopal Church

Warrenton, Virginia



The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:15am

15 October 2017

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The Rt. Rev. Edwin F. "Ted" Gulick, Jr., *Assisting Bishop*

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We Welcome All Visitors and Newcomers to Saint James'!

We are glad you are here with us today!

Please feel free to join in our worship or merely sit and listen. We want you to feel comfortable. At various times in the service, people may stand, sit or kneel and you may join as you are comfortable or able. Please do not feel you must do anything.

Children are especially welcome in our midst. If you have small children with you this morning you might wish to pick up some crayons and coloring material from the table at the rear of the church.

Children from age 3 to 5th grade are invited to attend Sunday School after the announcements. They will rejoin their families in the main worship service at the time of the Peace.

Nursery There is a Nursery available for children ages four and under at the foot of the stairway by the main entrance.

Before the Service Please enter the nave quietly to allow everyone assembled there to prepare for worship. If you wish to greet friends before worship, you might want to do so in the Cafe in the Parish Hall. As you prepare in silence for our service, you might wish to use some of these resources in the Book of Common Prayer.

Prayers for Healing – pages 458 – 461

Prayers for the Dying - pages 462 – 465

Prayers for Families – pages 828 – 829

Prayers for National Life - pages 820 - 823

Various forms of Thanksgiving may be found on pages 836 – 841

After a brief welcome, we will observe two minutes of silence before beginning the opening hymn.

You will find **Prayer Books** in the pew racks with a Black Cover and a Gold Cross on the front. **The Hymnal 1982** has a red cover and the service music is toward the front of the book and marked with a number preceded by an "S". The hymns are toward the rear of the book and labeled with a number only.

Communion We invite you to share with us in communion as you are led by God. Ushers will direct you to the altar rail or will notify the communion ministers to bring communion to you if you find walking or climbing the stairs difficult. We train for this and are happy to come to you. You are welcome to stand or kneel at the rail. It is customary to receive the bread by holding up your hands with palms facing upward and the minister will place the bread in your hands. To receive the wine, you may either take the base of the chalice and guide the cup to your lips or if you hold the wafer up the minister will lower the chalice so that you may dip or intinct the bread in the wine. If you do not wish to receive the wine, or, if you only wish to receive a blessing at the rail, please come to the main altar, cross your arms with your hands on your shoulders so that the priest may know to bless you.

Gluten Free wafers are available on request.

Hearing Assistance We have devices in the back of the church, which any usher can get for you. There are two options with the hearing assistance receivers. First, you can simply use the ear piece (or headphones if you prefer) directly. Second, if you have digital hearing aids, you can use the "T-loop," which is placed around your neck and is designed to work with your hearing aids. If you have questions that cannot be answered Sunday at church, please call the office and we will put you in touch with someone who can assist you. We want everybody to be able to hear and to fully participate in our worship.

Video Stream & Archives If you cannot attend a Sunday 10:15 or special Wednesday evening service, you can watch it live by going to our YouTube channel. Click on the YouTube icon under the red doors on our website home page. Additionally, all of these services and the sermons are archived on the same channel. If you have any questions or need help, please call the office and we will put you in touch with someone who can assist you.

The Holy Eucharist

Handbell Prelude: Chimings of Great Joy

Dan Edwards (b. 1950)

Announcements

The Liturgy of the Word

Gathering Hymn: 556 Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart!

Marion

Gathering Sentences

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen

Collect for Purity

Presider Let us pray.

People Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benedictus es, Domine: S 236

The people sing the Benedictus es, Domine, which is found in the front of the Hymnal, S 236.

Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Exodus 32:1-14

The people sit.

Lector A Reading from Exodus.

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel. The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation." But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence is provided to reflect on God's Word.

Gradual Psalm

Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23



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1 Hallelujah! Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, * for his mercy endures for ever.

2 Who can declare the mighty acts of the Lord* or show forth all his praise?

3 Happy are those who act with justice * and always do what is right!

4 Remember me, O Lord, with the favor you have for your people, * and visit me with your saving help; [Ant.]

5 That I may see the prosperity of your elect and be glad with the gladness of your people, *
that I may glory with your inheritance.

6 We have sinned as our forebears did; * we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.

19 Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb * and worshiped a molten image;

20 And so they exchanged their Glory * for the image of an ox that feeds on grass. [Ant.]

21 They forgot God their Savior, * who had done great things in Egypt,

22 Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, * and fearful things at the Red Sea.

23 So he would have destroyed them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, *
to turn away his wrath from consuming them. [Ant.]

Second Reading

Philippians 4:1-9

Lector A Reading from Philippians.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

A period of silence is provided to reflect on God's Word.

Sequence Hymn: 701 Jesus, All My Gladness

Jesu Meine Freude

The people stand as they are able.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Benjamin Wells Maas

Silence is provided to reflect on God’s Gospel message for us today.

The Nicene Creed

The people stand as they are able.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Form IV

The people remain standing or kneel.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace, that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for Donald our President, the Congress and Supreme Court, and all the leaders of the nations of the world. We pray especially for Hunter, Mark, Warren, Madeleine Blodgett, Helen Emory, Todd, James, Tom Spector, their families and all deployed in harm’s way.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Shannon, Susan and Ted our Bishops, Ben and Randolph our clergy, and Seldon our seminarian.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray especially for George, Glorybeth, Bev, Melba, Debbie, Dan, Pattie, Meredith, Lindsay, Gina, Kendra, Carol, Marisa, Donna, Marie, Iris, and for those whom we now name

The people add their own intercessions either silently or aloud.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The people may add their own thanksgivings either silently or aloud.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

The people may add their own prayers either silently or aloud.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Concluding Collect

Presider Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

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

The people kneel as they are able.

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.

Absolution

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

The Peace

The people stand as they are able.

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Sentence

The people sit after the presider says the Offertory Sentence.

Offertory Anthem: When the Storms of Life are Raging

Hugh Livingston (1945-2014)

Presentation Hymn: 389, vs. 1& 6 Let Us with a Gladsome Mind

Monkland

The people stand as they are able.

Representatives of the congregation make offerings of bread, wine, and money at the Altar.

Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

Presider The Lord 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 him thanks and praise.

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every- where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 the glory of your Name:

Sanctus: S 124

The people sing the Sanctus, which is found in the front of the Hymnal, S 124.

The people remain standing or kneel.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord 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 he 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."

Presider Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover: S 154

The people sing the Christ our Passover, which is found in the front of the hymnal, S 154.

Invitation to Receive Communion

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The people come forward to the Altar at the direction of the ushers.

The people join the choir in singing the Communion Hymns.

Communion Hymn: 321 My God, Thy Table Now is Spread

Rockingham

Communion Hymn: 645 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

St. Colomba

Postcommunion Prayer

The people stand as they are able.

Presider Let us pray.

People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Sending Hymn: 345 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

Ellers

Sending Sentences

Gospeler Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Rondo in D

David Terry

