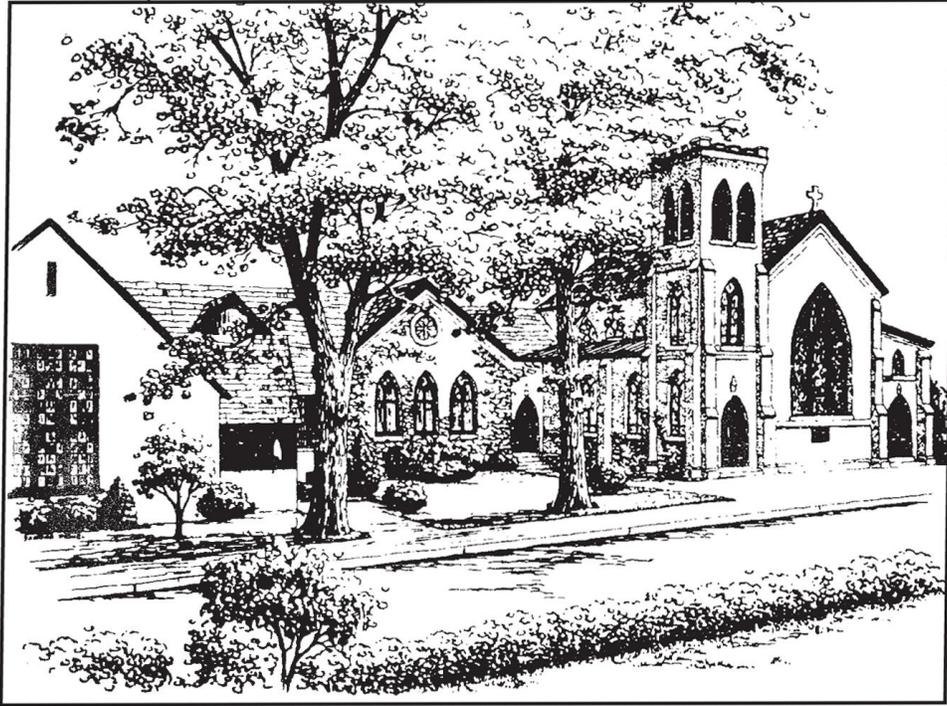


Saint James' Episcopal Church

Warrenton, Virginia



The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

10:15am

June 17, 2018

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The Holy Eucharist

Prelude: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

arr. Jeff Bennett

Announcements

The Liturgy of the Word

GATHER

THE PEOPLE STAND AS THEY ARE ABLE.

Gathering Hymn: 290 Come Ye Faithful People Come

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.**

Gloria

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Glorify to God in the highest, and peace to his 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.

Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

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

LISTEN AND HEAR

First Reading

1 Samuel 15:34—16:13

THE PEOPLE SIT.

Reader A Reading from First Samuel.

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to

Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm

Psalm 20

THE PSALM IS READ RESPONSIVELY BY WHOLE VERSE.

- 1 May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble, * the Name of the God of Jacob defend you;
- 2 **Send you help from his holy place * and strengthen you out of Zion;**
- 3 Remember all your offerings * and accept your burnt sacrifice;
- 4 **Grant you your heart's desire * and prosper all your plans.**
- 5 We will shout for joy at your victory and triumph in the Name of our God; *
may the Lord grant all your requests.
- 6 **Now I know that the Lord gives victory to his anointed; *
he will answer him out of his holy heaven, with the victorious strength of his right hand.**
- 7 Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses, * but we will call upon the Name of the Lord our God.
- 8 **They collapse and fall down, * but we will arise and stand upright.**
- 9 O Lord, give victory to the king * and answer us when we call.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:6-17

Reader A Reading from Second Corinthians.

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: Just a Closer Walk With Thee

THE PEOPLE STAND AS THEY ARE ABLE.



1. I am weak but Thou art strong;
2. Thro' this world of toil and snares,
3. When my fee - ble life is o'er,
Just a clo - ser walk with Thee,



Je - sus, keep me from all wrong; - I'll be sa - tis - fied as
If I fal - ter, Lord, who cares? - Who with me my bur - den
Time for me will be no more; - Guide me gent - ly, safe - ly
Grant it, Je - sus, is my plea, - Dai - ly wal - king close to



long - As I walk, let me walk close to Thee.
shares? - None but Thee, dear - Lord, none but Thee.
o'er - To Thy king - dom - shore, to Thy shore.
Thee, - Let it be, dear - Lord, let it be.

Holy Gospel

Mark 4:26-34

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Benjamin Wells Maas

THE PEOPLE SIT.

SILENCE IS PROVIDED TO REFLECT ON GOD'S GOSPEL MESSAGE FOR US TODAY.

PROCLAIM

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.**

PRAY

Prayers of the People

Form III

THE PEOPLE REMAIN STANDING OR KNEEL.

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; Michael our Presiding Bishop, Shannon, Susan and Bob our Bishops, Ben and Randolph our clergy, and Seldon on his recent ordination.

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; We also pray for the military, especially for Hunter, Mark, Warren, Madeleine Blodgett, Helen Emory, Todd, James, Tom Spector, their families and all deployed in harm's way;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; We pray especially for Saint James' Episcopal Church and School, our Stephen Ministers and their care receivers; and the people of Saint Luc's, Tru Du Nord, Haiti, our companion church and school and our new journey together.

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; especially for Bob Patrick, Catzby, Denise, Jenn, Kimberly, Peter, Laura, Melba, Carol, Marisa and Marie;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, which we now name either silently or aloud _____.

We give thanks for our many blessings, which we now name either silently or aloud _____.

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.

People 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.**

GREET

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

OFFER

Offertory Sentence

THE PEOPLE SIT AFTER THE PRESIDERS SAYS THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE.

Offertory Anthem: Hymn of Promise

Natalie Sleeth

In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

Offertory

THE PEOPLE STAND AS THEY ARE ABLE.

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONGREGATION OFFER BREAD, WINE, AND MONEY AT THE ALTAR.

Presentation Hymn: 506 vs.1 & 6 Praise the Spirit in Creation

Finnian

**Praise the Spirit in creation, breath of God, life's origin: Spirit, moving on the waters,
quickening worlds to life within, source of breath to all things breathing, life in whom all lives begin.**

**Praise, O praise the Holy Spirit, praise the Father, praise the Word, Source, and truth, and Inspiration,
Trinity in deep accord: through your voice which speaks within us we, your creatures, call you Lord.**

GIVE THANKS

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 everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of 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 the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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 forever. **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

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Agnus Dei

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Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

RECEIVE

Invitation to Receive Communion

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE PEOPLE COME FORWARD AT THE DIRECTION OF USHERS TO RECEIVE COMMUNION OR A BLESSING.

THE PEOPLE JOIN THE CHOIR IN SINGING THE COMMUNION HYMNS.

Communion Hymn: 302 Father, We Thank Thee Who Hast Planted

Communion Hymn: 538 God of Mercy, God of Grace

Rendez A Dieu
Lucerna Laudoniae

SENT

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: 556 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

Marion

Sending Sentences

Gospeler Our worship is now ended, and our service in the world begins.
Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude



We Welcome all Newcomers and Visitors 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.

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.*