

St. James' Episcopal Church
Hyde Park, New York



Holy Eucharist

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 14

August 9, 2026

10:00 a.m.

Welcome to St. James' Church!

A few notes about today's service

Hymns: Most hymns not printed in the bulletin are in *The Hymnal 1982*, the blue book in your pew. Hymns marked “LEVAS” refer to the hymnal *Lift Every Voice and Sing II*, the book with a multi-colored cover and red binding.

Responses: Please join the congregation by saying the responses marked in **bold font**.

The altar flowers are given in memory of Charlotte DeGroff by her family.

The Word of God

PRELUDE

ENTRANCE HYMN #690

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Please stand as you are able.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY *Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 355*

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.

SONG OF PRAISE HYMN #S-280

Glory to God/ *Gloria in excelsis*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 232

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

FIRST LESSON

1 Kings 19:9-18

Lector A Reading from the First Book of Kings.

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” He answered, “I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.”

He said, “Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.” Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” He answered, “I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.” Then the Lord said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Responsively, the People saying the words in bold font.

I will listen to what you are saying, *

**for you are speaking peace to your faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to you.**

Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you, *

that your glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth have met together; *

righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall spring up from the earth, *

and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

You, O God, will indeed grant prosperity, *

and our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness shall go before you, *

and peace shall be a pathway for your feet.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 10:5-15

Lector A Reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans.

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN #680 V. 1-3

O God, our help in ages past

Please stand as you are able.

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

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

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please stand as you 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.**

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**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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form III, BCP 387

Please stand as you are able.

Deacon

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;
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;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on all who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed [especially...] 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.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

We thank you for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant concludes with a suitable Collect.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

Silence may be kept.

Deacon and 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.

Celebrant

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

BCP 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS & SPECIAL OCCASION PRAYERS

The Holy Communion

THE OFFERTORY

Thank you for your offering to support the ministries of St. James' Church. Gifts may be placed in the offering plate or made online (Paypal or Venmo @stjameshydepark) by scanning the QR code. Thank you!



OFFERTORY HYMN #608

Eternal Father, strong to save

DOXOLOGY HYMN #380, VERSE 3

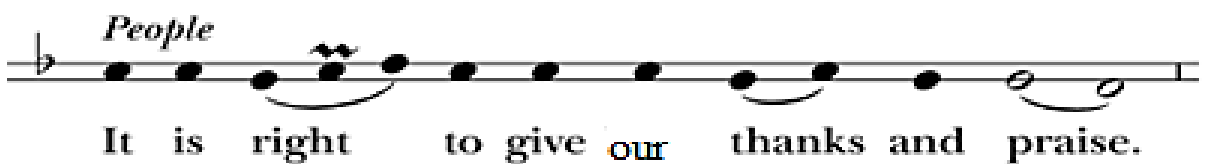
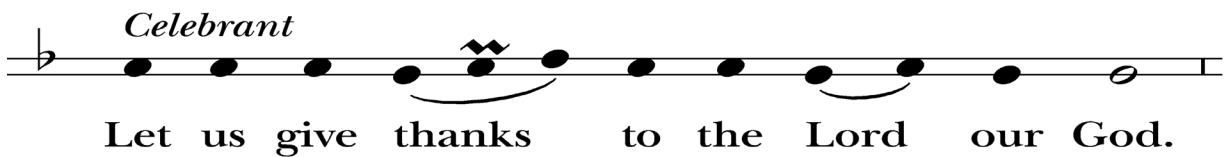
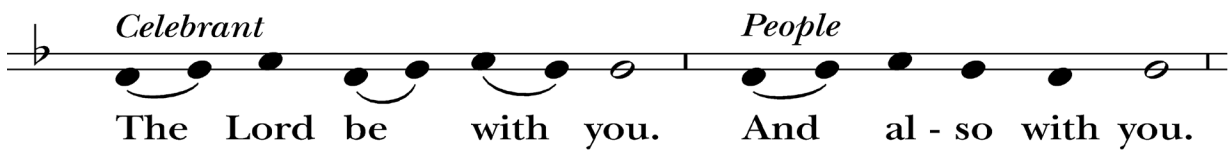
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

Praise God all creatures here below

Praise God above ye heavenly host

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

Please remain standing as you are able.



Celebrant 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

Wonder, Love, and Praise #858

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. * Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Following the Sanctus, please stand or kneel as you are able.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

BCP 363

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

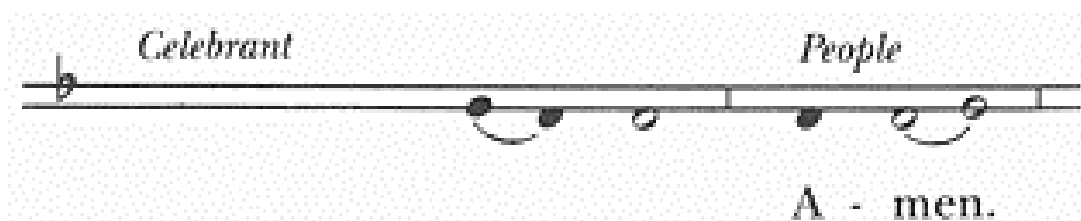
THE GREAT AMEN

BCP 363

Celebrant

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and
glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,

for ever and ev- er. **AMEN.**



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

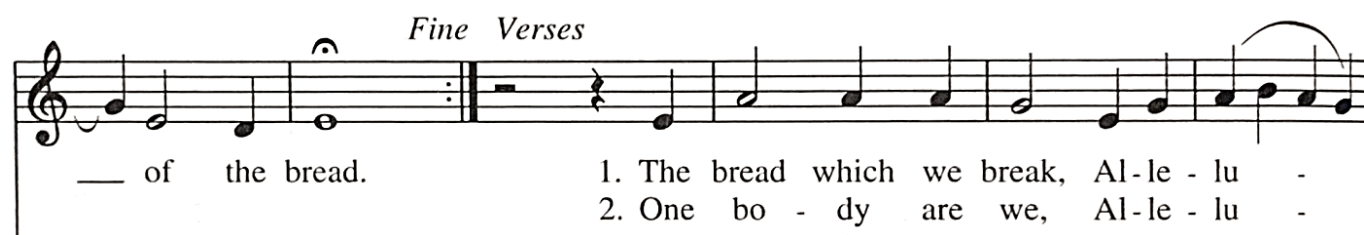
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The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept. Then follows

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Wonder, Love, & Praise #876



All repeat Antiphon

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

As Communion is distributed, we sing:

COMMUNION HYMNS

LEVAS #188

LEVAS #106

(if time)#655

It is well with my soul

Precious Lord

O Jesus, I have promised

About Receiving Communion

Wherever you are in your journey with God, you are welcome to receive Communion. Simply come forward to the altar rail, where you may either stand or kneel, holding forward an open palm. The priest will place the communion wafer in your hand. **Gluten-free wafers are available—just ask.** Then, the deacon or server will bring to you the common cup of wine. You may either drink from the cup, or you may let the server take the wafer from your open palm, dip the wafer into the wine, then place the wafer on your tongue. If you prefer to receive a blessing from the priest instead of communion, you may also come forward to the altar rail and hold your crossed arms over your chest.

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Especially if you are worshiping via livestream, you are invited to pray the following Prayer for Spiritual Communion:

Most holy Jesus, in you we are made one body and one spirit; may all that is in you flow into me this day, that I may grow more fully into your stature, bound to you in love within the communion of all the saints, and may this spiritual communion grant to me, in my earthly pilgrimage, a means of grace and a hope of glory; for your tender mercy's sake. Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.**

**And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

Wonder, Love & Praise #811

You shall cross the barren desert
(Be not afraid)

Verse 1

1. You shall cross the bar-ren des-ert, but you
shall not die of thirst. You shall wan-der far in
safe-ty though you do not know the way. You shall
speak your words in for-eign lands and all will un-der-stand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

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Refrain

Be not a - fraid. I go be - fore you al - ways.

Come, fol - low me, and I will give you

Verse 2

rest. _____ 2. If you

pass through rag - ing wa - ters in the sea, you shall not

drown, If you walk a - mid the burn - ing flames, you shall not be

harm'd. If you stand be - fore the pow'r of hell and

death is at your side, know that I am with you _____ through it

To refrain Verse 3

all. _____ 3. Bless - ed are your poor, for the

To refrain

king - dom shall be theirs. Blest are you that

weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh. And if

wick-ed men in - sult and hate you all be-cause of me,

bless-ed, bless-ed are you!_____

Final Refrain

Be not a - fraid. I go be - fore you al-ways.

Come, fol-low me, and I will give you

rest._____

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go forth into the world in peace
bringing hope and love to our neighbors.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE



Please join us after the service for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall.



Today's Worship Leaders

The Rev. Meredith Kadet Sanderson
Celebrant & Preacher

The Rev. Deacon Gail Ganter-Toback
Deacon

Wendy Urban-Mead
Musician

Joe and Karen Gasparini
Ushers

Deirdre Mae Micker
Acolyte

Russell Urban-Mead, Regina Dahlgren
Readers

Audrey Horne, Andy Hall
Pledge Clerks

Georgia Verven, Karen Gasparini, Kathleen Ferreira
Altar Guild

Andy Hall
Livestream Production

Christine Crawford-Oppenheimer, Megan Bean
Coffee Hour Hosts

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