

 **ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

Welcome!

May 5, 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter

The Holy Eucharist:

Rite Two

Presider

The Rev. Ruth Anne Garcia,
Interim Priest

Preacher

Michele Rogers

Eucharistic Ministers

Val & Laura Brustad

Lector

Angie Kevins

Minister of Music

James Jelasic

Cantor

Ann Aarhus

Violin

Bill McAdams



Thanksgivings

We give you thanks, most gracious God, for the beauty of earth and sky and sea; for the richness of mountains, plains, and rivers; for the songs of birds and the loveliness of flowers. We praise you for these good gifts, and pray that we may safeguard them for our posterity. Grant that we may continue to grow in our grateful enjoyment of your abundant creation, to the honor and glory of your Name, now and for ever. **Amen.**



Announcements

♥ Thank you to all who participated in **FRANCIS FEST!!**

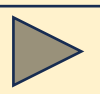
- Want to hold and read the **Book of Common Prayer (BCP)** during mass? Page numbers are listed on the worship slides.
 - Visit <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/lectionary/> to view the church calendar, lectionary readings, and collect (prayer) of the day.

The **St. James Thrift Shop** – which funds our outreach to the community – is looking for volunteers!

Come downstairs for **coffee chat** following the service



and stay for **Bible study!**



Prayer List

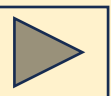
Joan Moore, Erin Osbye, Alan Alstad, Liam Figg, Randall Danioth, Aidan Dike, Bailey Aylward, Sharon Rockwell, David Danioth, Anne Richardson, Sister D. Bracher, Chris Huff, Cliff Sipe, James Sipe, Lillie Makumbi, Jeremy Bacon & Mother Ruth Anne, Darla Reed, Doreen Miller, Olivia & Luke Eldredge, Marcia Wesley, Ellen Flick, Cathryn Wilkerson, Kathy Scholl, and Dorothy Yantis.



Land Acknowledgment

We at St. James worship and work on the ancestral land of the **Muckleshoot, Cayuse, Umatilla and Walla Walla** people, and within the **Green River** watershed.

As we engage in processes of reconciliation, we acknowledge that these people are part of the past, present, and future of this land. They were dispossessed and forcibly removed which allowed the establishment and growth of the city of Kent and of St. James. Acknowledging the land and water that sustains us and the people who lived here is part of becoming a balanced and present human being. Its about honoring and protecting the land and water, honoring those who came before us, ourselves and our bodies.



Prelude
Dialogue on the Fifth Tone

Gilles Jullian

James Jelasic, Organ

The background of the slide is a warm, orange-toned sunset over a field. In the foreground, there are several wooden crosses of varying heights, some with white flowers or ribbons attached. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright glow and long, soft shadows.

Welcoming Hymn
As Those of Old
Their First Fruits Brought
1982 Hymnal 705, v. 1-3

Hymn permission used by Rite Song, a one-time use reprint license for congregational use.

As those of old their first fruits brought
of vineyard, flock, and field
to God, the giver of all good,
the source of bounteous yield;
so we today our first fruits bring,
the wealth of this good land,
of farm and market, shop and home,
of mind, and heart, and hand.

A world in need now summons us
to labor, love, and give;
to make our life an offering
to God that all may live;
the Church of Christ is calling us
to make the dream come true:
a world redeemed by Christ-like love;
all life in Christ made new.

With gratitude and humble trust
we bring our best to thee
to serve thy cause and share thy love
with all humanity.

O thou who gavest us thyself
in Jesus Christ thy Son,
help us to give ourselves each day
until life's work is done.

Opening Acclamation

(Holy Eucharist Rite II, BCP p. 355)

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

Glory to God/*Gloria in Excelsis*
1982 Hymnal S#277

Hymn permission used by Rite Song, a one-time use reprint license for congregational use.

**Glory 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.

The Liturgy of the Word *(Holy Eucharist Rite II, BCP p. 357)*

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can

desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The First Lesson: A reading from Acts 10:44-48.

All scriptures are from the NRSV.

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, “Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we

have?” So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

The Response: A reading from Psalm 98.

Sing to the Lord a new song, *

for he has done marvelous things.

With his right hand and his holy arm *

has he won for himself the victory.

The Lord has made known his victory; *

**his righteousness has he openly shown in the
sight of the nations.**

He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *

and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the Lord with the harp, *

with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn *

shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.

Let the rivers clap their hands, *
**and let the hills ring out with joy before the
Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.**

In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

The Second Lesson: A reading from 1 John 5:1-6.

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that

conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus
 Christ according to John 15:9-17.

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

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you;
abide in my love. If you keep my commandments,
you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my
Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have
said these things to you so that my joy may be in

you, and that your joy may be complete. “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you

to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon
Michele Rogers, M.Div.



We pause for reflection...



The Nicene Creed

(Holy Eucharist Rite II, BCP p. 358)

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.
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 Peace

Presider

**The Peace of the Lord
be with you!**

People

And also with you!



Announcements

♥ Thank you to all who participated in **FRANCIS FEST!!**

- Want to hold and read the **Book of Common Prayer (BCP)** during mass? Page numbers are listed on the worship slides.
 - Visit <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/lectionary/> to view the church calendar, lectionary readings, and collect (prayer) of the day.

The **St. James Thrift Shop** – which funds our outreach to the community – is looking for volunteers!

Come downstairs for **coffee chat** following the service




and stay for **Bible study!**



Offertory Sentence

I appeal to you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

Romans 12:1

The background of the slide is a warm, orange-toned sunset over a field. In the foreground, three wooden crosses are visible, standing in a row. The text is centered on a white rectangular background.

Offertory
Father, I Adore You
Terrye Coelho/Bock
James Jelasic, Piano

Text to Give (253) 303-5850
<https://stjameskent.breezechms.com/give/online>

The Doxology

1982 Hymnal #380 (v. 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.**

The Holy Eucharist

(Rite II, Eucharistic Prayer D, BCP p. 372)

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 God thanks and
praise.**

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus* *1982 Hymnal S124*

† **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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." †

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**All We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember our Bishop Provisional Melissa Skelton and all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. James and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is
sacrificed for us;

**People Therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia!**

The Invitation to Communion

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ
died for you, and feed on him in your
hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymns
New Songs of Celebration Render

1982 Hymnal 413

Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace

1982 Hymnal 593

(Words based on a prayer attributed to St. Francis of Assisi)


Post Communion Prayer *(Holy Eucharist Rite II, BCP p. 365)*

Presider Let us pray.

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



The background of the slide is a warm, orange-toned image of a field. In the foreground, three simple wooden crosses stand on a grassy area. The background is a bright, hazy sun with rays of light, creating a soft, glowing effect. The overall color palette is dominated by shades of orange and yellow.

Sending Hymn
**We Plow the Fields,
and Scatter**

1982 Hymnal 291, v. 1-3

Hymn permission used by Rite Song, a one-time use reprint license for congregational use.

1982 Hymnal 291, v. 1

We plow the fields, and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand;
he sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain.

*All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love.*

1982 Hymnal 291, v. 2

He only is the Maker of all things near and far;
 he paints the wayside flower,
 he lights the evening star;
the winds and waves obey him,
 by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children, he gives our daily bread.

*All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love.*

We thank thee, then, O Father,
for all things bright and good,
the seedtime and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food:


the gifts we have to offer are what thy love imparts,
but chiefly thou desirest our humble thankful hearts.

*All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love.*

The Dismissal

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

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



Postlude
We Plow the Fields, and Scatter
James Jelasic, Piano