



St. James' Episcopal Church
Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, Rite II

October 15, 2023
The 20th Sunday After Pentecost
9:00 & 10:45

Welcome to St. James'! Whoever you are and wherever you are on your journey, we are so happy to worship with you today!

Everything you need to follow our liturgy can be found in this bulletin, or on the screens.

The musical selections for the 9:00 worship are on the left-hand side, while the 10:45 music is on the right.

Prelude

Meditation on Peace Like a River
Brenda Portman

Welcome

All stand, as able.

Opening Hymn

We the Lord's people (Hymn 51)

We the Lord's people,
heart and voice uniting,
praise him who called us out of sin
and darkness into his own light,
that he might anoint us a royal priesthood.

This is the Lord's house, home of all his people,
school for the faithful, refuge for the sinner,
rest for the pilgrim,
haven for the weary;
all find a welcome.

This is the Lord's day,
day of God's own making,
day of creation,
day of resurrection,
day of the Spirit,
sign of heaven's banquet,
day of rejoicing.

In the Lord's service bread and wine are offered,
that Christ may take them,
bless them, break and
give them to all his people,
his own life imparting,
food everlasting.

1st Opening Song

King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven
You came running
There was mercy in your eyes

To fulfill the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory Majesty
Praise forever to the
King of Kings

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross

For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory Majesty

Praise forever to the
King of Kings

And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was
moved for good
For the Lamb had
conquered death

And the dead rose
from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who come
To the Father are restored

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory Majesty
Praise forever to the
King of Kings!

2nd Opening Song
You Are My King (Amazing Love)

I'm forgiven because You
were forsaken
I'm accepted you were
condemned
I'm alive and well your
Spirit is within me
Because You died and
rose again

I'm forgiven
Because You were
forsaken
I'm accepted
You were condemned
I'm alive and well
Your Spirit is within me
Because You died
And rose again

Amazing love

How can it be
That You my King
Would die for me
Amazing love
I know it's true
It's my joy to honor You

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How can it be
That You my King
Would die for me
Amazing love
I know it's true
It's my joy to honor You
In all I do I honor You

You are my King
You are my King
Jesus You are my King
Jesus You are my King

I'm forgiven
Because You were
forsaken
I'm accepted
You were condemned
I'm alive and well
Your Spirit is within me
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Amazing love
How can it be
That You my King
Would die for me
Amazing love
I know it's true
It's my joy to honor You
In all I do I honor You!

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

The Presider prays the Collect for Purity, and the People respond, 'Amen.'

Song of Praise
Gloria (Hymnal S-280)

**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.**

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

The Presider prays the Collect of the Day, and the People respond, 'Amen.'

All are seated for the Readings.

First Reading

Isaiah 25: 1-9

After the Reading:

Reader The Word of the Lord
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm is read in unison.

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; ***
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures ***
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul ***
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,**
I shall fear no evil; * for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; ***
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, ***
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Second Reading

Philippians 4: 1-9

After the Reading:

Reader The Word of the Lord
 People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand to sing and remain standing for the Gospel.

Sequence Hymn

My Shepherd Shall Supply My Need (Hymn 664)

My Shepherd will
 supply my need,
 Jehovah is his Name;
 in pastures fresh he
 makes me feed
 beside the living stream.
 He brings my
 wandering spirit back
 when I forsake his ways,
 and leads me,
 for his mercy's sake,
 in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the
 shades of death,
 thy presence is my stay;
 one word of
 thy supporting breath
 drives all my fears away.
 Thy hand,

in sight of all my foes,
 doth still my
 table spread;
 my cup
 with blessings overflows,
 thy oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions
 of my God
 attend me all my days;
 oh, may thy house
 be mine abode
 and all my work be praise.
 There would I find
 a settled rest,
 while others go and come;
 no more a stranger or a guest,
 but like a child at home.

Gospel Song

Every Promise

From the breaking of the dawn
 To the setting of the sun
 I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your word

Through this dark and troubled land
 You will guide me with Your hand
 As I stand on ev'ry promise of Your word

Grace sufficient grace for me
 Grace for all who will believe
 We will stand on ev'ry promise of Your word

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 22: 1-14

The Gospel is proclaimed:

Clergy The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the Gospel is proclaimed:

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

All are seated at the invitation of the Preacher:

Sermon

The Rev. Joe T. Mitchell

All stand for the Nicene Creed.

All **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.

The Prayers of the People

After each petition:

Intercessor Lord, in your goodness:
People **Hear our prayer.**

At the conclusion of the Prayers, all pray together:

All **God of abundance, who spoke the universe into being: Nothing exists but by your hand, and in you all creation is sustained. Help us remember that you are the vine and we are your branches. May we always abide in you, the source of true abundance. Thank you for our lives, fed and nurtured by your living water. May we each bear fruit according to the working of your Holy Spirit in our lives. To you be all honor and glory forever. Amen**

Clergy Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
All **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 Presider offers the Absolution, and the People respond, 'Amen.'

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People share a sign of God's peace with one another. All are seated for the Announcements.

Announcements & Offertory

Those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries are invited to come forward. The People offer the blessing:

All **May the strength of God pilot you, May the power of God preserve you, May the wisdom of God instruct you, May the hand of God protect you, May the way of God direct you, May the shield of God guard you against the snares of evil and the temptations of the world. May the Spirit of God bless you in the coming year. Amen.**

An offering is collected to help support St. James' mission of sharing Christ's love in Skaneateles and beyond. For more information on how you can help, go to www.stjamesskan.org/support-st-james or QR code on the back of this bulletin.

Offertory Anthem

The Gift of Love
Arr. by Hal Hopson

Offertory Song

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All stand as the gifts are brought forward.

Presentation Hymn

Doxology (Hymnal 380, verse 3)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

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.**

The Presider prays a Proper Preface then continues:

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:

All sing or say the Sanctus (Hymnal S-125)

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are 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.**

All remain standing as the Presider recalls God's work in creation, humanity's fall away from God, and the redemption of the world by Christ.

After recalling Christ's Last Supper, the Presider and People pray:

Presider Therefore according to his command, O Father:
All **We remember his death.**
 We proclaim his resurrection.
 We await his coming in glory.

The Presider prays that the gifts and people may be sanctified and blessed by God. After the Presider has completed the Eucharistic Prayer the People respond in a loud voice 'AMEN.'

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say.
All **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.
 For thine is the Kingdom,
 and he power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

The Confractorium is sung at 9:00am (S-155 in the blue Hymnal)

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

The Presider invites the People to share in the Communion of our Lord. All those who desire a deeper relationship with Christ are invited to come forward.

You may receive the Sacrament from the Minister, who will dip the Bread into the Wine and place it in your hands. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you do not wish to receive the wine, please let the Minister know.

If you do not wish you receive for any reason, you are welcome to come forward and cross your arms for a blessing.

*During Communion, **Prayer Ministers** are available at either end of the altar rail to pray with anyone who is in need.*

Communion Hymns

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness (Hymn 339)
O for a closer walk with God (Hymn 684)

Communion Song

O Come to the Altar

The Presider returns to the Holy Table, and all pray the Post-Communion Prayer.

All **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 Presider offers a final blessing, and the People respond, 'Amen.'

Closing Hymn

*Savior, again to thy dear Name we raise
(Hymnal 345)*

Savior, again to thy dear Name we raise
with one accord our parting hymn of praise;
guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
that in this house have called upon thy Name.

Grant us thy peace upon our homeward way;
with thee began, with thee shall end the day:
from harm and danger keep thy children free,
for dark and light are both alike to thee.

Grant us thy peace throughout our earthly life;
peace to thy Church from error and from strife;
peace to our land, the fruit of truth and love;
peace in each heart, thy Spirit from above:

thy peace in life, the balm of every pain;
thy peace in death, the hope to rise again;
then, when thy voice shall bid our conflict cease,
call us, O Lord, to thine eternal peace.

Closing Song

God So Loved

Come all you weary
Come all you thirsty
Come to the well that never runs dry
Drink of the water
Come and thirst no more
Come all you sinners
Come find His mercy
Come to the table He will satisfy
Taste of His goodness
Find what you're looking for
For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever
Bring all your failures
Bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting there
With open arms
For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever
The power of hell forever defeated
Now it is well I'm walking in freedom
For God so loved God so loved the world

*The Dismissal is given, and the People respond, **Thanks be to God!***

Postlude

Fugue in D

William Goodwin

Participants in Today's Liturgies

Presider & Preacher
Deacon
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Lectors

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Larry Webster (9:00)
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Carol Murphy (9:00)
Sr. Marie Patrica Hughes (9:00)
Barb Burton (10:45)
Carolyn Legg (10:45)
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