



Ordinary Time XXI Sunday after Pentecost

October 22, 2023 5PM: Saturday 8AM & 10AM: Sunday Holy Eucharist Rite II

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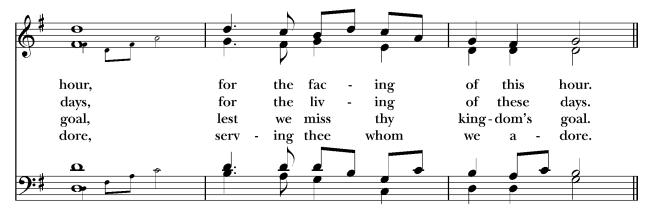
The Word of God

PRELUDE All the Way My Savior Leads Me - James Southbridge

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (8 and 10am only)

TITLE: God of grace and God of glory (Cwm Rhondda) (H 594)





OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 355) The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP p. 355) *The Celebrant may say*

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.*

KYRIE ELEISON (5pm only)

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

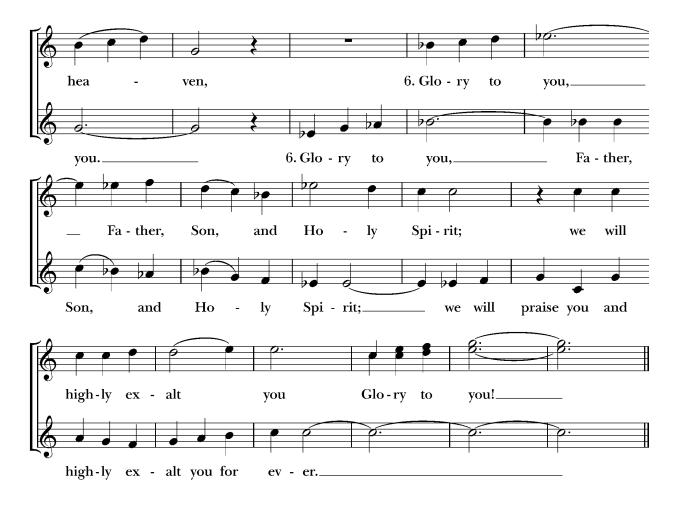
People Christ, have mercy.

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

SONG OF PRAISE (8 and 10am only) *The following is sung, all standing* **TITLE:** *S* 236 *A Song of Praise* (*Canticle* 13) (*Rutter*)







THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

THE LESSONS *Please be seated for the readings*

FIRST READING: Isaiah 45:1-7

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him— and the gates shall not be closed: I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. I am the Lord, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there

is no one besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the Lord do all these things.

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

PSALM: Psalm 96:1-9 [10-13]

¹Sing to the LORD a new <u>song</u>; * sing to the LORD, all the whole <u>earth</u>.
²Sing to the LORD and bless his <u>Name</u>; * proclaim the good news of his salvation from day <u>to day</u>.

³Declare his glory among the <u>nations</u> * and his wonders among all <u>peoples</u>.
⁴For great is the LORD and greatly to be <u>praised</u>; * he is more to be feared than all <u>gods</u>.

⁵As for all the gods of the nations, they are but <u>idols</u>; * but it is the LORD who made the <u>heavens</u>. ⁶Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his <u>presence!</u> * Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!

⁷Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the <u>peoples</u>; * ascribe to the LORD honor and <u>power</u>.

⁸Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his <u>Name</u>; * bring offerings and come into his <u>courts</u>

Worship the LORD in the beauty of <u>holiness</u>; * let the whole earth tremble before <u>him</u>.
Tell it out among the nations: "The LORD is <u>King</u>! * he has made the world so firm that it cannot be <u>moved</u>; he will judge the peoples with <u>equity</u>."

¹¹Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is <u>in it</u>; *
let the field be joyful and all that is there<u>in</u>.
¹²Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the LORD when he <u>comes</u>, *
when he comes to judge the <u>earth</u>.

¹³He will judge the world with right<u>eousness</u> * and the peoples with his <u>truth</u>.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

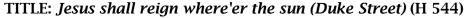
A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Thessalonika.

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. ²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution

you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, 'so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. 8For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰ and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN (8 and 10am only) All stand





GOSPEL LESSON *All stand* Matthew 22:15-22

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" ¹⁶But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" ²¹They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON: The Rev. Dr. Mike Sowards

THE NICENE CREED (BCP p. 358) All stand

We believe in one God,

People

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 You may stand or kneel

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Daniel our Bishop Fr. Mike our Priest; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray for those on the St. James' prayer list- for Alexis & Steven, Annie*, Angela, Baby Kia, Beverly*, Bishop Michael, Calvin*, Carl, Carol*, Diane, Elaine, Eliza*, Fran A.*, Fran R., Fred, Greg, James, Jason, Jean*, Jeff*, Kathi, Lori, Rita, Shelby, Sophie*, Val. Are there others?

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

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

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Especially for Edith & Frank Dergosits, and Bob & Ed Dergosits, in whose names these flowers are given.

Are there others?

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

in your compassion forgive us our sins,

known and unknown,

things done and left undone;

and so uphold us by your Spirit

that we may live and serve you in newness of life,

to the honor and glory of your Name;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

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 All stand

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

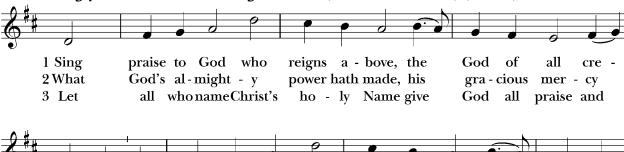
The Holy Communion

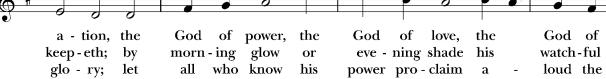
OFFERTORY SENTENCE *The Celebrant says*

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15, 16*

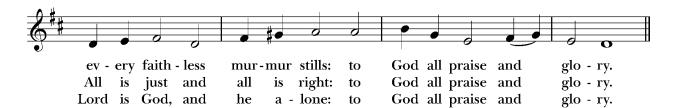
OFFERTORY HYMN (8 am only) All stand

TITLE: Sing praise to God who reigns above (Mit Freuden zart) (H 408)









SPECIAL MUSIC 10:00 AM

All Parish Choir Anthem "Rejoice in the Lord Always" - Evelyn Tarner **DOXOLOGY**

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 C

SURSUM CORDA (BCP p. 369) The People remain standing

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

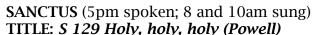
From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

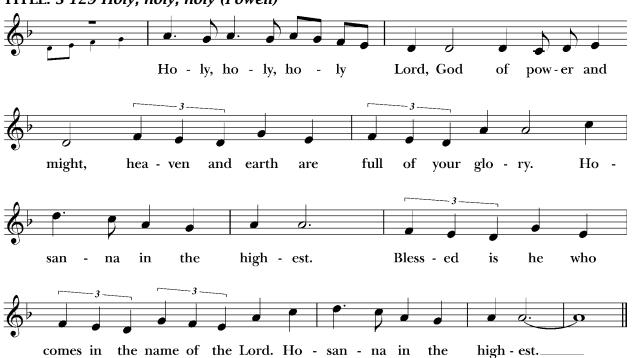
Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:





And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name. *Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.*

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN*.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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,

forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM (5pm spoken; 8 and 10am sung)

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

FRACTION ANTHEM S 171 Be known to us (Plainsong/Martens) (S 171)

This setting is not used in Lent. Antiphon: Cantor; then All Be known to us, Lord Je sus, in the break - ing of the bread. Cantor1. The bread which we break, al - le lu - ia, dy the com - mun - ion of the bo of Christ. [Ant.] Cantor2. One bo dy are al - le lu ia, we,

INVITATION (BCP p. 364) *The Celebrant says*

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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.

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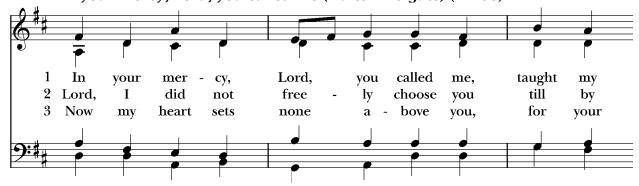
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DISTRIBUTION (BCP p. 365) The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

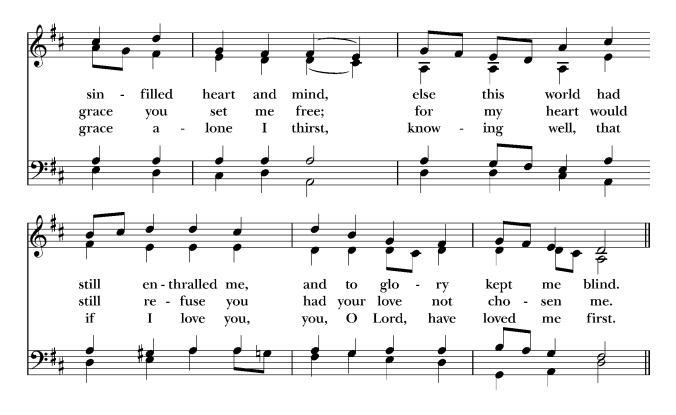
COMMUNION HYMNS (8 and 10am only)

TITLE: In your mercy, Lord, you called me (Halton Holgate) (H 706)

we



bread. [Ant.]



TITLE: Lord, we have come at your own invitation (O quanta qualia) (H 348)



TITLE: Judge eternal, throned in splendor (Komm, o komm, du Geist des Lebens) (H 596) throned in lords and Judge \mathbf{e} ter - nal, splen - dor, Lord of Still the folk pin - ing wea - ry are for the hour that 3 Crown, O God, thine deav - or; dark - ness own en cleave our judg - ment King of kings, with thy liv - ing fire of brings re - lease, and the ci - ty's crowd - ed clang - or know thee with thy sword; feed all those who do not of bit ter things; all purge this land sol ace its cries a loud for sin to cease; and the home - steads with the rich - ness of thy word; cleanse the bo dy wide do min - ion with the heal ing of thy wings. their peace. wood-lands plead in for

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 366)

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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

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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.

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN (8 and 10am only)

TITLE: Earth and all stars (Earth and All Stars) (H 412)



DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

POSTLUDE The Emperor's Fanfare (from Sixth Double Concerto) - Antonio Soler

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Outreach House Items for the Week; Canned Tuna & Chicken Breast
- Remember that the prayer list resets itself every month. Please say aloud or silently to yourself when the prayers of the people ask "are there others?"
- Rector's Cross is available for those 3 years 5th grade. It is an opportunity for our young friends to join in the procession, carrying a small cross ahead of Fr. Mike. Please sign-up for a date on the bulletin board.
- Congratulations to the Saint James' EpiscoTrotters on their successful CROP Walk! We've reached our \$500 goal to fight hunger and are still able to accept donations through 10/23!
- Troop 119 is hosting their annual food drive on Saturday, November 18th from 9a-2p. Volunteers wanted- contact Naomi Morissette nbmorissette@gmail.com
- The **All Parish Music Concert** will be held Saturday, November 18th at 6:30pm. Musicians of all ages are welcome to perform. Please email the name of your piece, composer, and instrument to Lauren at music@stjames-episcopal.org by November 5th.
- If there are urgent announcements, please fill out the Communications Request Form and submit it for publication in the weekly bulletin.

YOUTH EVENT SCHEDULE

• Sunday, October 29

- -Trunk or Treat (6:30 7:30pm) Looking for trunk hosts!
- -All Hallows Eve Service (7:30pm)

• Sunday, November 12

-Youth Group Friendsgiving (6 - 7:30pm) 6^{th} – 12^{th} grade and guests. Youth sign-up for potluck on board

CHOIR REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

- Adult Choir (9th grade Adult) rehearses every Thursday at 7:30pm.
- Teen Choir (6th 12th grade) rehearses 10/29, 11/12 at 9:30am.
- All Parish Choir (All Ages) rehearses October 22 at 9:15am.
- Junior Choir (3 years 5th grade) begins November 12.









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knowing and serving God by serving others



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WELCOME VISITORS!

We are glad that you have joined us today! Our church fully embraces the motto "The Episcopal Church Welcomes You." We are welcoming and affirming of all people, including those of all races, ethnicities, genders, orientations, political views, ages, and more. You are welcome here.

Want more information? Scan the code to visit our "Visitor Information" page.



Restrooms are located through Platts Hall. Please use the door next to the altar to exit, go down the hallway to Platts Hall, located to the right. Follow the signs to the bathrooms through the far door.

Please join us for Communion. All those who are baptized are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church. If you do not want to receive, join us at the altar rail and cross your arms for a blessing. (Gluten-free bread is available. Please ask at the rail.)

Let's stay in touch! If you would like to join our "Happenings" email list, speak with Fr. Mike, or become a member of St. James', please complete the white information card found in your pew and place it in the collection plate.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, 5pm (spoken service)
Sunday, 8am (with music)
Sunday, 10am (with music and choir)
Live-Stream available at 10am

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Children belong here! We welcome their God-given wiggles, questions, and joyful sounds. Please walk through the aisles, feed the babies, and leave and re-enter the service as you need. To assist families, we offer pew activity bags, a "pray-ground" in the back of the sanctuary, and a nursery space in Platts Hall.

Church School is available for PreK – 12th grade during the 10am service.

Youth Group for 6th – 12th grade meets monthly. See the bulletin board outside the Sanctuary for the current schedule.

MEDIA POLICY: St. James' Episcopal Church regularly photographs, and video records our worship services and events. Please note if you are attending our 10AM Worship Service you will be recorded on our live-stream broadcast.

CHURCH VESTRY

Rector's Warden: Sarah Deacle; People's Warden: Marilyn Hastings; Vestry Secretary: Peggy Spinozzi; Outreach Ministries: Peggy Spinozzi, Barbara Bateman; Finance: Chuck Rogers, Janice Tabbut; Treasurer: Phil Tatem; Parish Life: Rob Samtmann, Sharon Hansen; New Member Ministry: Iva Ferrell, Marilyn Hastings; Building & Grounds: Francois Springuel, Gene Goff, Harry Cornog; Education: Fr. Mike

Our Mission is: To know and serve God by serving others. Worship has ended...Service Begins!