Worship & Ministry Leaders

	Today	Next Week
Usher/Greeter	The McGowan Family	Charles Tuttle, II
Lay Reader	Kit Huggard	Betsy Birchenough
Intercessor	Bonnie Magno	Mick McDonald

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The 26th **Sunday after Pentecost** November 17, 2024, 9:00 am, Proper 28 Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Welcome to worship at St. James' or on Facebook Live. Please use this Service Leaflet along with your Book of Common Prayer and Hymnal to join our hearts and minds in thanks and praise to our Lord God.

THE WORD OF GOD

Processional: Tell out my soul (vs 1-2)	Hymnal 437
Opening Sentence	BCP 355
The Collect for Purity	BCP 355
The Gloria	S280, BCP 357
The Collect	
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Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. AMEN.

The First Lesson: 1 Samuel 1:4-20

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters;⁵but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the Lord had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the Lord had closed her womb. So it went on year after year; as often as she went up to the house of the Lord, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?' After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: 'O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head.' As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, 'How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine.' But Hannah answered, 'No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time.' Then Eli answered, 'Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him.' And she said, 'Let your servant find favor in your sight.' Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer. They rose early in the morning and worshipped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the Lord.'

The Response: 1 Samuel 2:1-10

1 Hannah prayed and said, 'My heart exults in the Lord; my strength is exalted in my God.*

My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in my victory.

- 2 'There is no Holy One like the Lord, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God.
- 3 Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth;
 - for the Lord is a God of knowledge,
 - and by him actions are weighed.
- 4 The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength.
- 5 Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil.

The barren has borne seven,

but she who has many children is forlorn.

- 6 The Lord kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up.
- 7 The Lord makes poor and makes rich; he brings low, he also exalts.
- 8 He raises up the poor from the dust;
 - he lifts the needy from the ash heap,
 - to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor. For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's,
 - and on them he has set the world.
- 9 'He will guard the feet of his faithful ones,

but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness; for not by might does one prevail.

10 The Lord! His adversaries shall be shattered; the Most High will thunder in heaven. The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king, and exalt the power of his anointed.'

The Epistle: Hebrews 10:11-25

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, 'he sat down at the right hand of God', and since then has been waiting 'until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.' For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, 'This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds', he also adds, 'I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.' Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Gradual Hymn: If thou but trust in God

The Holy Gospel: Mark 13:1-8

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.' When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am

Hymnal 635

he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

The Sermon	The Rev. Laura Miller			
The Nicene Creed	BCP 358			
Prayers of the People, Form IV	BCP 388			
The Confession of Sin	BCP 360			
The Peace	BCP 360			
THE HOLY COMMUNION				

Offertory: The Lord will come and not be slow	Hymnal 462
The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B	BCP 367
The Sanctus	S125, BCP 367
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
The Breaking of the Bread	

All baptized persons are welcome to receive communion at God's holy table.

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

In union, dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where your Blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I pray you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affection of my soul. Let me never be separated from you. Let me live and die in your love.

Come Lord Jesus, dwell in your servant in the fullness of your strength, in the perfection of your ways, and in the holiness of your spirit, and rule over every hostile power in the might of your Spirit, and to the glory of your Father.

May the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my body and soul into everlasting life. Amen

Post Communion Hymn: My God thy table now	Hymnal 321
Post Communion Prayer	BCP 365
The Blessing	
Recessional: Tell out my soul (vs 3-4)	Hymnal 388
The Dismissal	

Welcome to Worship

Welcome to our guests this morning! We are delighted you've joined us for worship in person or on FaceBook Live. Visiting? Please sign our guest book on the welcome table and join us for coffee after the service. If you join us on FaceBook, please like or share us that we might know that you have joined us for worship.

Prayer request cards are located in the bell tower window. Please fill out a card and place it in the offering plate or drop it off at the office. Names will stay on the prayer list for six weeks.

Daily devotional: For only \$1 you can begin each day with a short reading and meditation on the word of the Lord. Pick up a *Forward Day by Day* from the welcome table to use in your daily prayers.

To keep in your prayers

We pray for the peace of Jerusalem, especially Christ Church ministering there. We give thanks for the church in Spain, and for the dioceses of Western Massachusetts and Western Michigan. In our Diocese we ask God's blessing and favor for Trinity in Watervliet.

We pray for protection and keeping for Douglas, Jody, Lindsey, and all our men and women who have served or are now serving in our Armed Forces, here and abroad.

We pray for comfort, strength, and healing for all who are in sickness, trouble or need, especially Kitty, Bill, Sally, Carol, Jack, Al, Joe, Judy, Jamie, Denise, Rebecca, Bonnie, Bob, Susi, Dori, Jackie, Vicki, Marion, Pam, Holly, for all those affected by violence, wars, and natural disasters, for all those still struggling from the effects of COVID and those known only to God.

We pray for wisdom and discernment for our Vestry as they lead St. James': Barbara, Bonnie, Kitty, Michele, Mick, Scott, Betsy and Elaine.

Read, Mark, and Inwardly Digest <u>This week at St. James</u>'

Today: Today we welcome Mtr. Laura and Larry to our church family. Join us for coffee hour after the service.

Shoeboxes - due today! Shipping is \$10 per box if you would like to donate for that. We will assemble the boxes .

Skinner benefit organ concert, today at 4 pm. Be sure to come back at 4:00 for a spectacular concert.

Weekly at St. James'

AA meets on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm, and Saturday evenings at 6:30 pm, and AA board meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm in the parish Hall.

Monday & Tuesday: Living Resources uses Tuttle Hall during the day.

Tuesdays: Knit Wits meets in the Parish Hall from 4:30-5:30 pm. Join us to knit or crochet for social concerns.

Saturdays: Grace Communion International holds services in our Parish Hall from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Coming soon...

Bible Study - stay tuned for our next session.

Christmas Family - We should hear from the school this week. We will be assigned one family. The giving tree will be up in the Parish Hall as soon as we get the information.