

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: Songs of thankfulness Hymnal 135

Post Communion Prayer BCP 365

The Blessing

Recessional: Ye watchers and ye holy ones Hymnal 618

The Dismissal

*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and
in Loving Memory of Robert Love by Bonnie Magno*

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Worship & Ministry Leaders

	Today	Next Week
Usher/Greeter	The McGowan Family	Charles Tuttle, II
Lay Reader	Bonnie Magno	Scott Cudney
Intercessor	Mick McDonald	Bonnie Magno

Seek Christ. Live Christ. Share Christ.

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The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

March 2, 2025, 9:00 am

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: When morning gilds the skies Hymnal 427

Opening Sentence BCP 355

The Gloria S280, BCP 356

The Collect

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. AMEN.

First Reading: Exodus 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterwards all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Psalm 99 BCP 728

- 1 The LORD is King; let the people tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.
- 2 The LORD is great in Zion; *
he is high above all peoples.

- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *
he is the Holy One.
- 4 “O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.”
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.
- 8 “O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.”
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. Therefore, since it is by God’s mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God’s word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

Gradual Hymn: Christ upon the mountain peak **Hymnal 129**

The Holy Gospel: Luke 9:28-36 (37-43)

About eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes

became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, ‘Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah’ - not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, ‘This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!’ When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen. (On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, ‘Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It throws him into convulsions until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not.’ Jesus answered, ‘You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here.’ While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. And all were astounded at the greatness of God.)

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed
Prayers of the People, Form VI
The Confession of Sin
The Peace

The Rev. Laura Miller

BCP 358
BCP 392
BCP 393
BCP 360

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (vs 1,3-4)

Hymnal 460

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B
The Sanctus
The Lord’s Prayer
The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 367
S125, BCP 368
BCP 364

*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**

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 pray for the Church in England, and the Dioceses of Dallas, TX and Delaware. In our Diocese we pray for St. John's in the Wilderness in Copake Falls, Christ Church in Cocksackie, and St. John's in Delhi.

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 Richard, Janice, Ivy, Duane, Bill, Sally, Al, Joe, Jamie, Denise, Rebecca, Bonnie, 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 give thanks for healing for Judy.

We pray for wisdom and discernment for our Vestry: Barbara, Bonnie, Kitty, Michele, Mick, Scott, Betsy and Elaine.

We give thanks for Stefanie Smith who celebrates a birthday this week.

Holy Week at St. James'

April 13, Palm Sunday, service begins in Tuttle Hall with palm procession

April 17, Maundy Thursday, Agape meal at 5:30 followed by service at 6 and the stripping of the altar.

April 18, Good Friday, Noon: Community Stations of the Cross, begins at Sacred Heart. 5 PM, Good Friday service at St. James'

April 19, Holy Saturday, 9 am service followed by decorating the church for Easter.

April 20, Easter Sunday, 9 am service followed by an Easter Egg hunt.

Read, Mark, and Inwardly Digest

This week at St. James'

Today: Please join us for coffee hour after the service. Next Sunday begins Daylight Savings Time - turn your clock ahead!

Easter devotional: pick up your copy on the welcome table. (one per family please)

March 5, Ash Wednesday, service at 5pm.

Looking for a way to help? Join a committee on fundraising and event planning. See Mtr. Laura.

Sock Drive: The Daughters of the King are collecting new socks to donate to Open Door Ministries and North Country Ministry. New adult sized socks are needed. There is a box for the collection in the Parish Hall. So far we have donated 40 pairs of socks to the Open Door Mission and 19 pairs of socks to North Country Ministry. Sock drive ends on Ash Wednesday.

Open flower dates: 6/8; 9/28; 11/2, 23, & 30.

Weekly at St. James'

AA meets on 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 4:00-5:30 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...

Community Dinner - Next dinner on March 12th at Sacred Heart, 5 pm. Host is to be determined.

Stations of the Cross & fellowship - Wednesdays at noon during Lent. Bring a bag lunch, we will eat together then we will walk the Way of the Cross in the church.

Bible Study - We will do a 4-part video study and discussion on *The Case for Easter: Evidence for the Resurrection of Jesus*, by Lee Strobel. We will join together for a simple meal then view the study. Tuesday evenings at 5:30, March 18 & 26, April 1 & 8.

May 3, Saturday, Installation of Mtr. Laura. Bishop Jeremiah presiding. Details to follow.