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: 40 days and 40 nights Hymnal 150

Post Communion Prayer BCP 339

The Blessing

Recessional: In Christ there is no East or West Hymnal 529

The Dismissal

Music with permission CCLI # 1152334

Worship & Ministry Leaders

	Today	Next Week
Usher/Greeter	Charles Tuttle, II	Susan & John Joseph
Lay Reader	Scott Cudney	Betsy Birchenough
Intercessor	Bonnie Magno	Kit Huggard

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The First Sunday of Lent

March 9, 2025, 9:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I

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: The glory of these 40 days
Opening Sentence
The Kyrie
BCP 323
(spoken) BCP 324

The Collect

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted of Satan: Make speed to help thy servants who are assaulted by manifold temptations; and, as thou knowest their several infirmities, let each one find thee mighty to save; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. AMEN.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Moses said, "When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Psalm 91: 1-2, 9-16

BCP 719

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, * abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 He shall say to the LORD,
 - "You are my refuge and my stronghold, * my God in whom I put my trust."
- 9 Because you have made the LORD your refuge, * and the Most High your habitation,
- 10 There shall no evil happen to you, *

neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, * to keep you in all your ways.
- 12 They shall bear you in their hands, *

lest you dash your foot against a stone.

- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
 - you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; * I will protect him, because he knows my Name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *

I am with him in trouble;

I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

16 With long life will I satisfy him, * and show him my salvation.

Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13

'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Gradual Hymn: My God, accept my heart Hymnal 697

The Holy Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone." 'Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." 'Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." 'Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test." 'When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

The Sermon	The Rev. Laura Miller
The Nicene Creed	BCP 326
Prayers of the People, Form II	BCP 385
The Confession of Sin	BCP 331
The Peace	BCP 332

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory: O love, how deep, how broad, how high Hymnal 448

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer I	BCP 333
The Sanctus	W738, BCP 334
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 336
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

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 Hong Kong, and the Dioceses of East Carolina and Eastern Michigan. In our Diocese we pray for St. Stephen's in Delmar, Christ Church in Deposit, St. Mary's Church in Downsville, Christ Church in Duanesburg, and Good Shepherd in Elizabethtown.

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

We give thanks for Betsy Birchenough who celebrates a birthday today.

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: Daylight Savings Time begins! Hope you turned your clock ahead to be here by 9! Please join us for coffee hour after the service. Vestry will meet after coffee hour.

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

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.

Community Dinner - Wednesday, March 12th at Sacred Heart, 5 pm.

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 collected socks this winter. Thanks to your generosity we have donated 40 pairs of socks to the Open Door Mission and 36 pairs of socks to North Country Ministry.

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...

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 & 25, April 1 & 8.

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