

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

Post Communion Hymn: Praise our great and gracious Hymnal 393

Post Communion Prayer BCP 365

The Blessing

Recessional: How firm a foundation

Hymnal 637

The Dismissal

*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and  
in loving memory of Roy Mittie by Mtr. Laura Miller*

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### *Worship & Ministry Leaders*

	Today	Next Week
Usher/Greeter	Jim & Phyllis Foster	Steve & Kitty Lobban
Lay Reader	Betsy Birchenough	Bonnie Magno
Intercessor	Kitty Lobban	Scott Cudney

*Seek Christ. Live Christ. Share Christ.*

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## *9th Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 14*

*August 10, 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: Rejoice! Rejoice, believers**

**Hymnal 68**

Opening Sentence

BCP 355

The Gloria

S280, BCP 356

The Collect

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those  
things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may  
by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. AMEN.

### **First Reading Genesis 15:1-6**

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid,  
Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram  
said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and  
the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You  
have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be  
my heir.' But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not  
be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He  
brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the  
stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall  
your descendants be.' And he believed the Lord; and  
the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

### **Psalms 33:12-22**

**BCP 626**

12 Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD! \*

happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

13 The LORD looks down from heaven, \*

and beholds all the people in the world.

14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze \*

on all who dwell on the earth.

15 He fashions all the hearts of them \*

and understands all their works.

- 16 There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; \*  
     a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.
- 17 The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; \*  
     for all its strength it cannot save.
- 18 Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon those who fear him, \*  
     on those who wait upon his love,
- 19 To pluck their lives from death, \*  
     and to feed them in time of famine.
- 20 Our soul waits for the LORD; \*  
     he is our help and our shield.
- 21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, \*  
     for in his holy Name we put our trust.
- 22 Let your loving-kindness, O LORD, be upon us, \*  
     as we have put our trust in you.

### **Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16**

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old - and Sarah herself was barren - because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, 'as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.' All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

**Gradual Hymn: How wondrous and great**

**Hymnal 533**

### **The Holy Gospel: Luke 12:32-40**

Jesus said to his disciples. 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your

Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. 'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

### **The Sermon**

The Nicene Creed

Prayers of the People, Form IV

The Confession of Sin

The Peace

**The Rev. Laura Miller**

BCP 358

BCP 388

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### **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**Offertory: Come Holy Spirit, heavenly dove**

**Hymnal 510**

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.

### *To keep in your prayers*

We pray for the peace of Jerusalem, especially Christ Church ministering there. We pray for the church in Southern Africa, and the Dioceses of Olympia, WA and Oregon. In our Diocese we pray for St. Paul's Church in Salem and St. Luke's in Saranac Lake.

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 Robin & Michael, Mtr. Julie, Ken, Frank, Sarah, Tim, Donna, Pearson, Dinah, Heidi, Clark, Mtr. Sally, Al, Duane, Jamie, Denise, Rebecca, Bonnie, Susi, Dori, Vicki, Jackie, Marion, Pam, Holly, for all those affected by violence, wars, and natural disasters, 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 Elaine & John Hersey and Dcn. Barb & Dave Mitchell who celebrate anniversaries this week.

### *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.

### *Read, Mark, and Inwardly Digest*

#### *This week at St. James'*

**Today:** Please join us for coffee hour after the service.

**Quilt raffle tickets** on sale now! Drawing 10/11/25. \$5 per ticket, or buy 4 tickets for \$20 and get 2 more free! See the quilt in the Parish Hall

**Thursday fireworks parking.** See Kitty for the sign-up sheets!

**Next Sunday** - Vestry meeting after church.

#### *Weekly at St. James'*

**AA meets on Saturday evenings at 6:30 pm, and AA board meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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...*

**ADK Nationals Parking event:** September 4-6. Sign-up sheets will be available soon.

**Diocesan Convention:** October 9-11 at Christ the King Center.

**Octoberfest Parking:** October 10-11. Sign-up sheets will be available later this summer.

**November 2:** Daylight savings time ends, clocks go back 1 hour.

**Shoebox Ministry:** Begin collecting things now!