

SAINT JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH | [stjamesgp.org](http://stjamesgp.org) | 313.884.0511  
170 McMillan Rd. Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236  
Pastor Denise M. Grant | [pastor@stjamesgp.org](mailto:pastor@stjamesgp.org)

**In person and livestream worship begins at 10:15 a.m.**  **YouTube**

Saint James Online

#### **WELCOME**

Welcome to Saint James, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and the Southeast Michigan Synod. Thank you for being part of this gathered assembly as we worship God and receive the sacrament. If this is your first time worshipping with Saint James, we extend a special greeting to you and invite you to introduce yourself to your neighbor in the pew. If you have questions about Saint James or are looking for a spiritual home, please reach out to Pastor Grant ([pastor@stjamesgp.org](mailto:pastor@stjamesgp.org)).

#### **TODAY'S SCRIPTURES**

At the heart of our Advent preparation stands John the Baptist, who calls us to repent and make a new beginning. As the darkness increases we turn toward the approaching light of Christ, who is the root of Jesse, the righteous judge who welcomes all, especially the poor and meek of the earth. We wait with hope for that day when the wolf will dwell with the lamb, and there will be no more hurt or destruction. From the Lord's table we are sent in the spirit of John the Baptist to proclaim that in Christ the kingdom of God has come near.

#### **WORSHIP & HOLY EUCHARIST**

All of the materials needed for this liturgy can be found in this bulletin and in the cranberry red *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (ELW). The celebration of the sacrament, **Holy Eucharist** (also called the Lord's Supper and Holy Communion), is central to our worship. As Lutherans, we believe that the sacrament is where Our Lord Jesus is truly present (*real presence*). Saint James practices an *open table*, which means that all people are invited to participate in the sacrament. As host of the meal, Jesus extends a wide welcome. Distribution information is found on page 11.

#### **OFFERING PLATES**

Instead of passing the offering plates, Saint James places plates at each of the 3 entrances to the sanctuary. For more information about offerings, including electronic giving, see page 11 of this bulletin. Thank you for your faithfulness in stewardship. Every contribution helps to support Saint James' mission and the proclamation of the gospel in the world.

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

---

*silence for  
reflection*

**PRELUDE**

*Savior of the Nations, Come*

Dietrich Buxtehude

## GATHERING

---

STAND

*Face the entering  
procession.*

**ENTRANCE HYMN**

*Prepare the Royal Highway*

ELW 264

**INVOCATION**

*The sign of the cross is made in remembrance of Holy Baptism.*

*As the processional  
cross passes, a sign of  
reverence, such as  
bowing of the head,  
may be made.*

**THE LIGHTING OF THE SECOND ADVENT CANDLE**

The day is surely coming when the wolf shall live with the lamb,  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,  
the calf and the lion and the yearling together,  
and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze,  
their young shall lie down together;  
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

*Isaiah 11:6-7*

On that day, the peace of God will be established forever.

**CANDLE LIGHTING SONG**

*Light One Candle*

*ALL sing,  
verses 1 and 2*



1. Light one can - dle to watch for Mes - si - ah:  
2. Light two can - dles to watch for Mes - si - ah:  
3. Light three can - dles to watch for Mes - si - ah:  
4. Light four can - dles to watch for Mes - si - ah:



let the light pierce the dark - ness.  
let the light pierce the dark - ness.  
let the light pierce the dark - ness.  
let the light pierce the dark - ness.



Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord,  
Forth from the stump of the fam - 'ly of Da - vid  
Na - tions, cre - a - tion, RE - JOICE and be glad,  
Look, a young wom - an gives birth to a son:

filled with HOPE for the world!  
comes PEACE, prom - ised of old!  
see the glo - ry of God!  
"LOVE, Em - man - u - el!"

First-line Text: Wayne Wold, from "Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah," and copyright © 1984 Augsburg Fortress.  
Remaining Text: Michael Burkhardt, and copyright © 2020 Birnamwood.  
Tune: TIF IN VELDELE, Yiddish folk song (PD).

**THE SECOND ADVENT CANDLE**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe.  
We give you thanks for this circle of light  
that marks our days of preparation for Christ's advent.  
Kindle within us the fire of your Spirit,  
that we may be filled with the peace  
that overcomes doubt and fear.



*The second candle of the Advent wreath is the **BETHLEHEM CANDLE** and reminds us of the humble place where Jesus was born.*

*This lighting prayer might also be used at home.*

**Blessed be God forever.**

**KYRIE**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well - being of the church of God,

*In the singing of the Kyrie, we pray that God will have mercy on us (both individually and as a community) and that we may be filled with the peace that the world cannot give, but that comes from God alone.*

*Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.  
John 14:27*

The Kyrie comes from the Greek words "kyrie eleison" (pronounced KEER-ee-ay eh-LAY-zon) which means "Lord, have mercy."



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this ho-ly house, and for all who of-fer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.



A - men.

Silence of 5 to 10 seconds is kept between the invitation to pray and the prayer itself, to give people time to collect their thoughts and focus on the presence of God.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

SIT

## WORD

---

### FIRST LESSON

### Isaiah 11:1-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

- <sup>1</sup>A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,  
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.
- <sup>2</sup>The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.
- <sup>3</sup>His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.
- He shall not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide by what his ears hear;
- <sup>4</sup>but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,  
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;  
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,  
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.
- <sup>5</sup>Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,  
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.
- <sup>6</sup>The wolf shall live with the lamb,  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,  
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,  
and a little child shall lead them.
- <sup>7</sup>The cow and the bear shall graze,  
their young shall lie down together;  
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.
- <sup>8</sup>The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,  
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.
- <sup>9</sup>They will not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain;  
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD  
as the waters cover the sea.
- <sup>10</sup>On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations  
shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

*Isaiah describes the coming of a future, ideal ruler who will renew David's royal line (the stump of Jesse). Gifted by the spirit of God, this ruler will reign with perfect justice. Enmity and danger will be restored to harmony and peaceful coexistence.*

The Word of the LORD.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 72:1-7, 18-19**

The cantor introduces  
the refrain and  
the congregation  
repeats it.



Psalm 72:7

Psalm refrain reproduced from *Psalter for Worship Year A* © 2007 Augsburg Fortress.  
May be reproduced by permission for local use only.



Psalm tone reproduced from *Psalter for Worship Year C* © 2006 Augsburg Fortress.  
May be reproduced by permission for local use only.

The congregation  
sings or chants those  
words printed  
in **bold font**.

**Refrain: May the righteous flourish; let there be an abundance of peace.**

Give the king your jus-<sup>1</sup> tice, O God,  
and your righteousness to<sup>1</sup> the king's son;  
<sup>2</sup>that he may rule your<sup>1</sup> people righteously  
and the<sup>1</sup> poor with justice;  
<sup>3</sup>**that the mountains may bring prosperity<sup>1</sup> to the people,  
and the<sup>1</sup> hills, in righteousness.**  
<sup>4</sup>**Let him defend the needy a-<sup>1</sup> mong the people,  
rescue the poor, and crush<sup>1</sup> the oppressor. Refrain**

Psalm 72 is a royal or  
coronation Psalm  
associated with the  
reign of  
King Solomon.

<sup>5</sup>May he live as long as the sun and<sup>1</sup> moon endure,  
from one generation<sup>1</sup> to another.  
<sup>6</sup>Let him come down like rain upon<sup>1</sup> the mown field,  
like showers that wa-<sup>1</sup> ter the earth.  
<sup>7</sup>**In his time may the<sup>1</sup> righteous flourish;  
and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall<sup>1</sup> be no more.**  
<sup>18</sup>**Blessed are you, LORD God, the<sup>1</sup> God of Israel;  
you alone do<sup>1</sup> wondrous deeds!**  
<sup>19</sup>**And blessed be your glorious<sup>1</sup> name forever,  
and may all the earth be filled with your glory. A-<sup>1</sup> men. Amen. Refrain**

Reprinted from *Psalter for Worship*, copyright 2007 Augsburg Fortress.  
Used by permission of Augsburg Fortress.

**SECOND LESSON**

**Romans 15:4-13**

A reading from Romans.

<sup>4</sup>Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup>May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>7</sup>Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. <sup>8</sup>For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, <sup>9</sup>and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

“Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles,  
and sing praises to your name”;

<sup>10</sup>and again he says,

“Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”;

<sup>11</sup>and again,

“Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,  
and let all the peoples praise him”;

<sup>12</sup>and again Isaiah says,

“The root of Jesse shall come,  
the one who rises to rule the Gentiles;  
in him the Gentiles shall hope.”

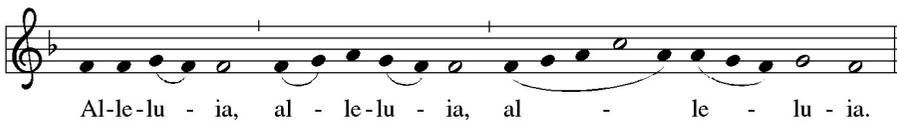
<sup>13</sup>May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

*God’s promise to include Gentiles within the circle of God’s blessed people has been fulfilled in Jesus Christ. Christians live out their unity by welcoming and encouraging each other just as Christ has welcomed them into God’s family.*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



**STAND & SING**

*Proper Verse: Prepare the way of the Lord. All flesh shall see the salvation of God.*

*Luke 3:4, 6*

**REPEAT ALLELUIA**

*The Holy Gospel is read from the center aisle of the sanctuary, in the midst of God’s people.*

## HOLY GOSPEL

## Matthew 3:1-12

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Just before Jesus begins his public ministry, John the Baptist appears, calling people to mend their ways and speaking of a powerful one who is to come.*

<sup>1</sup>In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming,  
<sup>2</sup>“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” <sup>3</sup>This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
‘Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.’”

<sup>4</sup>Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup>Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, <sup>6</sup>and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

<sup>7</sup>But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bear fruit worthy of repentance. <sup>9</sup>Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. <sup>10</sup>Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

<sup>11</sup>“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

The Gospel of our Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The Gospel Acclamation is sung as the procession returns to its place.*

*Advent 1 verse 1 only  
➔ Advent 2 vs 1 & 2  
Advent 3 verse 1, 2, 3  
Advent 4 all 4 verses*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

### He Came Down

ELW 253:1,2



- 1 He came down that we may have love; he came down that we may have love;
- 2 He came down that we may have light; he came down that we may have light;
- 3 He came down that we may have peace; he came down that we may have peace;
- 4 He came down that we may have joy; he came down that we may have joy;



he came down that we may have love;  
he came down that we may have light; hal - le - lu - jah for - ev - er - more.  
he came down that we may have peace;  
he came down that we may have joy;

Text: Cameroon traditional  
Music: HE CAME DOWN, Cameroon traditional

HOMILY

SIT

HYMN OF THE DAY

*On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry*

ELW 249

STAND

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

*The Nicene Creed provides a statement of the fundamental beliefs of Christian faith.*

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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
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.

*It was developed at the First Council of the Christian church. Leaders gathered at Nicea (now northern Turkey) in 325 CE to discuss and codify church beliefs.*

*In Advent, Christmas and Epiphany — the cycle of the church year when we celebrate God coming to earth in the incarnation — it is particularly appropriate to bow the head at the words of the incarnation in recognition of God's coming to earth as a human.*

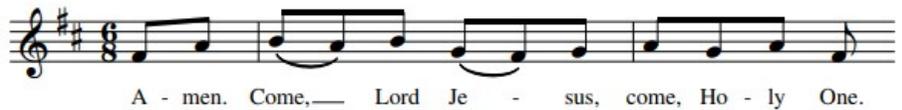
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & SUNG RESPONSE

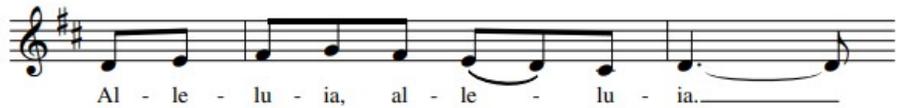
*The Assisting Minister offers the prayers and the assembly replies with the sung response.*

God of peace, your message calls us to let go of our fears and place our trust in you. Sustain us in your peace as we await your coming. *a brief silence*

➡ *After each petition, spoken by the Assisting Minister, and ending in we pray, the congregation sings:*



*The response joins us together as one community of faith; together we offer our prayers to God.*



Text and Music: Michael Burkhardt, and copyright © 2020 Birnamwood.

*The prayers conclude:*

As we remain awake and ready for your return, O Lord, may your word and sacrament fortify us, that we might bear witness to your coming among us; we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**TABLE SETTING****Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence****ELW 490:1, 2**

1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and trem - bling stand;  
 2 King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on earth he stood,



pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand  
 Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture, in the bod - y and the blood,



Christ our God to earth de - scend - ing comes full hom - age to de - mand.  
 he will give to all the faith - ful his own self for heav'n - ly food.

Text: Liturgy of St. James; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829–1885, alt.  
 Music: PICARDY, French folk tune, 17th cent.

*The assisting minister prepares the altar (the table) for the celebration of the sacrament.*

*Bread and wine are placed with reverence.*

*Within the gathered assembly, at Jesus' invitation, we feast on his body and blood. Lutherans use the term 'real presence' to talk about our Lord being truly present with us as we celebrate this holy meal.*

**PRAYER****SAINT JAMES COMMUNION PRACTICE**

**Welcome** Saint James practices an open table for Holy Communion, which means that all people are invited to participate in the sacrament. Jesus is the host of the meal and extends a wide welcome. Children are welcome to participate, but may also come forward with folded arms to receive a blessing.

**Benefit** What is the benefit of sharing in the meal? The words “given for you” and “shed for you” show us that the forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation are given to us in the sacrament. (Luther’s Small Catechism)

**Distribution** Come forward via the central aisle.  
 Receive the host (bread/Jesus’ body) in the hand;  
 the wine (Jesus’ blood) is offered in individual cups:  
 purple wine, white juice.  
 A gluten free option is offered by saying “gluten free”  
 to the pastor.  
 Return to your place via the outside aisles for private prayer.

**TITHES & OFFERINGS**

*Instead of ‘passing the plate,’ Saint James receives offerings in the stationary offering plates near the sanctuary entrances, via online giving at [stjamesgp.org](http://stjamesgp.org), and via Zelle app (QR code below). Your gifts support the ministry of the church.*



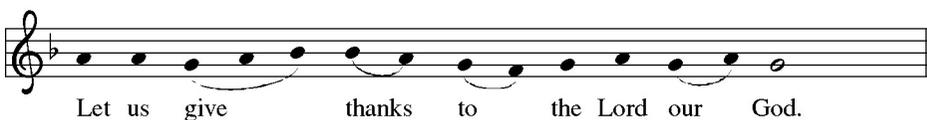
## MEAL

---

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*The Great Thanksgiving is understood as an act of praise and thanksgiving.*

*Following Jewish customs, the emerging Christian liturgies blessed God (that is, thanked God) for his kindness and love.*



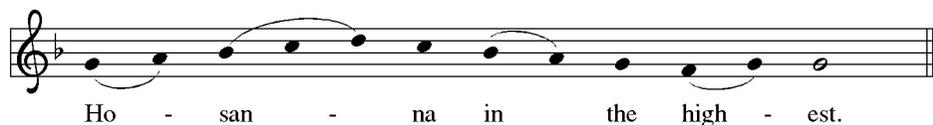
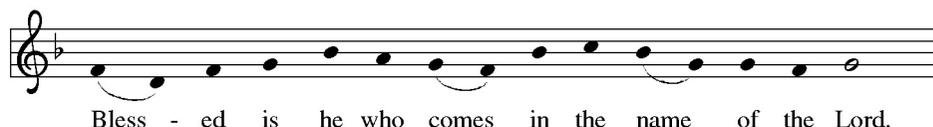
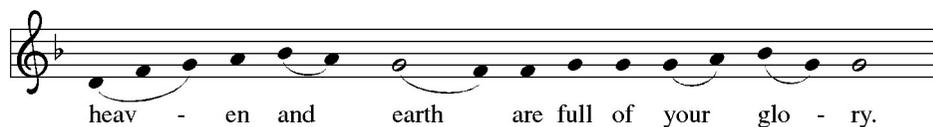
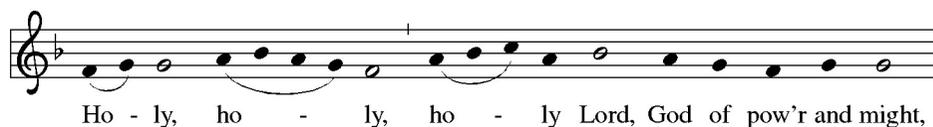
### PREFACE

### SANCTUS

*The Sanctus is a series of acclamations based on the angels' joyful exclamation which accompanied Isaiah's vision of God (Isaiah 6:3, Psalm 118:26).*

*As Jesus entered Jerusalem the people shouted "Hosanna!" (Hebrew for save, rescue or savior) Mark 11:9-10.*

*'Holy, Holy, Holy' is a proclamation of the triune God. We are baptized in the name of the Trinity; it is therefore appropriate to make the sign of the cross in remembrance of your baptism.*

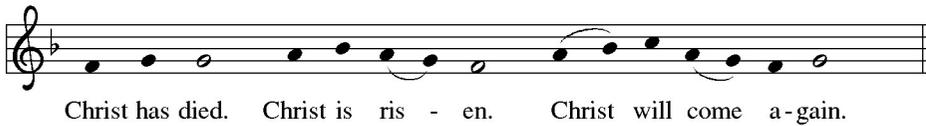


## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God, Mighty Lord, Prince of Peace, we give you thanks ... the one for whom we watch and wait with eager expectation in this Advent season.

### *Words of Institution*

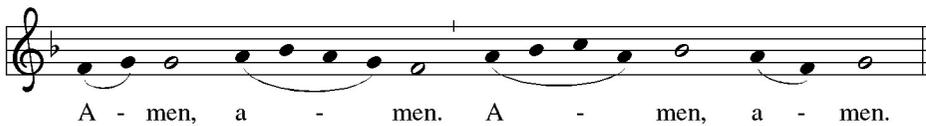
Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.



*In the Eucharistic Prayer, the church gives thanks for God's mighty works in the past, in creation and redemption through Jesus Christ, and thereby proclaims its faith in the blessings that come in the future both in this life and in eternal life yet to come.*

Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,  
that nourished by your presence  
we may be made all the more aware  
of the coming of your Kingdom.

We praise you O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray for the coming of the kingdom.  
**Our Father, who art in heaven...**

## BREAKING OF BREAD

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold the Lord whose advent we await,  
who will come in glory on the day of judgment.

**Blessed are those who are called to this holy meal.**

*Matthew 6:9-13*

*The bread is broken in silence.*

*The Invitation is reminiscent of Jesus' feeding the 5000. All were welcome to eat, all shared in the one meal, all were fed and satisfied.*

## AGNUS DEI (Lamb of God)

*The Agnus Dei  
or Lamb of God  
is drawn from the  
Gospel of John;  
John 1:29*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy  
on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men.

SIT

**DISTRIBUTION** *see page 11 of this bulletin for Saint James communion practice*

### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*Comfort, Comfort Now My People* ELW 256  
*Hark, the Glad Sound* ELW 239

STAND

### POST COMMUNION BLESSING

### SENDING

---

#### SENDING PRAYER

Let us pray, *a brief silence*

We give you thanks, Lord God, for coming to us in this Holy Eucharist. May your presence in our lives give us patience and peace in this holy season, make us eager for your return, and send us forth to help our neighbor in need. Grant this through the one whose advent is certain, whose day draws near, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*In the Sending,  
we make final  
preparations to go  
into the world to  
proclaim the gospel in  
word and deed.*

## BENEDICTION

Almighty God, Father, Son, + and Holy Spirit,  
bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

*As the procession  
passes, it is  
appropriate  
to bow the head  
in reverence  
of the cross.*

**HYMN**            *Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding*

**ELW 246**

SIT

## DISMISSAL

The Lord is coming soon. Come, Lord, and do not tarry.

**Amen. Come Lord Jesus.**

**POSTLUDE**        *Lord Christ, the Only Son of God*

J.S. Bach

## THIS ANNOTATED BULLETIN

This annotated bulletin is prepared with notes about the lessons, instructions for worship, and information about the scripture origin and traditions for various portions of our liturgy. These notes are called a gloss. (A gloss is a brief notation, especially a marginal one or an interlinear one, of the meaning of a word or wording in a text.) Worshipers are able to enter into the worship of God in deeper, more authentic ways when information about what we're doing and why is available; these notes are prepared for this reason. The notes are prepared by Pastor, thus if you have a question about a particular part of the liturgy, let her know, then watch for that information over the weeks to come.

## WORSHIP LEADERS

Thanks be to God for all of our worship leaders. If you are interested in serving as a worship leader, in any role, please see Pastor Grant or George Watson. Training and mentoring are provided. Your leadership makes a difference in our worship.

Pastor Denise M. Grant	Presider
David Enos	Organist
Joel Humphries	Assisting Minister
Barb Radtke	Cantor
Jim Lingscheit	Lector
Mary & Rich Moellering	Ushers
Emily Richardson	Altar Guild
George Watson	Livestream

A warm SJLC **WELCOME** to David Enos who serves as our organist today.

## THOSE FOR WHOM WE PRAY

Emir Zukanovic (friend of George Watson), Charles Steimer, John Wallus (brother in law of Mary Moellering), family of Raymond Federau, Karen Clein, Tom Kressbach, Wes Zenow, Janet Halleen, Eric Toelle, Brett McBryde (Eleanor Barker's nephew), Jim McBryde (hip surgery), Jeff Arndt (Guillain-Barré syndrome, Nancy Kopka's nephew), Nate Jesgarz & all deployed military and their families, Patti Middaught (friend of Karol Evard), Jerry Partridge (cancer treatment), all who have been diagnosed with cancer, Saint James' partners in ministry.

## Coming Soon ...

### THIS WEEK

<b>Sunday, December 4</b>	<b>10:14 am Second Sunday of Advent Worship</b> & coffee hour following worship
Monday, December 5	5:00pm SPY Kids, Game Night at St. Paul (room 201)
Tuesday, December 6	1:00 pm Book Club @ Jeanette Knutson's book: <i>Cannery Row</i> by J. Steinbeck
Wednesday, Dec. 7	4:00pm Handbells 4:30 pm Choir 7:00 pm Advent midweek worship at St. Paul Lutheran (375 Lothrop Rd. Grosse Pointe Farms)
Thursday, December 8	5:30 pm Partnership in Ministry @ Saint James
Saturday, December 10	9:00 am Hanging of the Greens

### MORE

<b>Sunday, December 11</b>	<b>10:15 am Third Sunday of Advent Worship</b> 6:00 pm Saint James Christmas Party <b>***RSVP TODAY on kiosk***</b>
<b>Sunday, December 18</b>	<b>10:15 am Fourth Sunday of Advent Worship</b> 11:45 am Church Council
<b>Saturday, December 24</b>	<b>5:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship</b>
<b>Sunday, December 25</b>	<b>10:15 am Christmas Day Lessons &amp; Carols</b>

### JANUARY 2023

<b>Sunday, January 1, 2023</b>	<b>9:30 am Worship at St. Paul Lutheran on Lothrop</b> (no service at Saint James)
Saturday, January 14	9:30 am Gleaner's Volunteer Day

### FEBRUARY 2023

Sunday, February 5, 2023 Saint James worship time moves to 11:00 am.

### LET'S TALK TURKEY

The collection for Christmas Dinner baskets for the Islandview neighborhood in Detroit, in



partnership with Genesis Lutheran, has begun! Pick a tag or two, shop, and return your dinner items to the Welcome Area. Please also take a "turkey tag" and make an offering of \$25. This offering covers a full size turkey, bread, and cranberry jelly. Write TURKEY on the memo line or for cash: on the front of an envelope. Be part of making the holiday special for 25 families.

### SAINT JAMES CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENTS

Again this Advent season, Saint James will decorate a Christmas tree with ornaments from each household. Beginning next Sunday, November 27, bring in an ornament (or 2) and place it in the basket in the Welcome Area. You'll find a tag near the basket with which to mark your ornament. (No written paragraph this year.) Contact Julie Humphries with questions.

**HANGING OF THE GREENS CELEBRATION** is Saturday, December 10 at 9:00 am. Lend a hand, inside or outside, to hang wreaths, make swags and string roping. Donuts & coffee provided. Invite a friend.

**SAINT JAMES CHRISTMAS PARTY** is December 11, 6pm to 8pm, at George Watson's home. Council bring a dessert, non-Council bring an hors d'oeuvre to share. RSVP via the kiosk.