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# Saint James Lutheran Church



A Parish of the North Carolina Synod of the  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



"Growing in Christ Through Worship, Learning, Fellowship, and Service"

FEBRUARY 9, 2020  
10:00 A.M.



*Welcome!*

Saint James is a house of prayer where all people can come to know the compassionate heart of Jesus. We are a community of Christians where you can belong before you believe. At Saint James the beauty of ancient worship and traditional spiritual practices transforms contemporary lives. Join us as together we discover the sacred in the heart of the city. Our worship includes ancient and contemporary symbols and practices along with preaching and music to inspire you to follow Jesus in your daily life. We welcome both the spiritual seeker and seasoned disciple to find their home in God with us. If you are looking for a spiritual home or just exploring the life of faith, we hope you will walk with us on that journey of discovery.

## HOLY COMMUNION FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

THE INTRODUCTION TO TODAY'S LITURGY...

Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.



**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**  
God's work. Our hands.

# WELCOME!

**We welcome everyone on this Lord's Day to the liturgy of Holy Communion.**

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this parish opens wide its doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!*

**Newcomers and visitors**, we hope that you will feel at home in this place and in this liturgy. Ushers are available in the narthex during the liturgy should you have any questions or concerns.

**If you are a visitor or guest**, please be sure and sign the guestbook located in the narthex and introduce yourself to the Pastor or to an usher so that we can extend to you a warm welcome.

**Although there are customary postures** (such as standing and kneeling) in Lutheran worship, you are invited to be seated at any point, according to your needs and comfort.

**This Service Leaflet** contains all of today's hymns and liturgy.

**Children are most welcome in worship** at Saint James Church. Children's Ministry Bags are located in the narthex for use during worship. Please return them to the narthex area or leave them on the pews at the end of worship. Be sure to take home the Children's Worship Bulletin and color sheets for your child. For those who desire it, nursery care is provided on the first floor of the Education Building.

**The First Aid Kit and the Automatic External Defibrillator (AED)** are located outside the church office door, immediately behind the sanctuary. **Fire Extinguishers** are located in the sacristy and in the narthex.

**If you are interested in membership** to this parish or desire a call from the Pastor, please indicate this to an usher or to the Pastor.

**Restrooms are available** on the first and second floors of the Education Building.

## ABOUT THE LITURGY DURING CHRISTMAS & EPIPHANY

**T**he celebration of Jesus' birth and his manifestation as the Son of God comes in a pair of seasons with common characteristics. These seasons have been particularly popular in western Christendom and were, in the past, times of such levity and rejoicing that puritans in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries sought to do away with them. In the last century, when the puritan influence had waned, Christmas became popular in this country again, but by then the churches had all but lost their memory of the old feast. As a result, Epiphany season and the intervening Twelve Days of Christmas were not part of the secular celebration. A host of new secular customs and legends developed during Advent primarily as a means of supporting business. We need to recover our own special heritage if we are to make Christmas and Epiphany central to our faith and life.

**U**nderlying these two feasts, then, is the central proclamation of Christianity: the dying and rising of Jesus. Recovery of this earliest level of meaning can help us rescue Christmas from a limited emphasis on the birth of a baby; for that birth is of ultimate importance only because of the saving event of his death and resurrection.

**T**he period of Christmas and Epiphany has three primary days and themes: Christmas, or the Nativity of Christ (December 25th); Epiphany, or the Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles (January 6th); and the First Sunday after Epiphany: the Baptism of Christ. Other celebrations came to be associated with this time as well.

# GATHERING

*We gather together for worship on this first day of the week, the day Christ Jesus rose from the dead, for an intimate communion with our Lord. He comes to us, speaks to us, and blesses us through his Word and Sacrament. We come to him and speak to him in prayer and praise and thanksgiving. This liturgy is the recurring moment of high splendor in our earthly lives, a God-given foretaste of the heavenly life to come. Out of respect for the liturgy we are about to celebrate and those sitting around you, help us create sacred space by powering down your cell phones and electronic devices.*

## *Congregational Responses in **Bold***

### **RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS**

### **PARISH NOTICES**

### **OPENING VOLUNTARY**

*O Waly Waly*

arr. John Behnke (b. 1953)

*St. James' Handbells*

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** *(Stand)*

*All may make the sign of the cross ✝ in remembrance of baptism:*

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*(Kneel or sit as able)*

*Silence is held for reflection and self-examination*

Most merciful God,

**We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

# GATHERING HYMN

*Dearest Jesus, at Your Word*

LIEBSTER JESU, WIR SIND HIER



1 Dear - est Je - sus, at your word we have come a -  
2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est  
3 Ra - diance of God's glo - ry bright, Light of Light from  
4 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, praise to you and



gain to hear you; let our thoughts and hearts be stirred  
dark - ness shroud - ed till your Spir - it breaks the night,  
God pro - ceed - ing, Je - sus, send your bless - ed light;  
ad - o - ra - tion! Grant us what we need the most:



and in glow - ing faith be near you as the prom - is -  
fill - ing us with light un - cloud - ed. All good thoughts and  
help our hear - ing, speak - ing, heed - ing, that our prayers and  
all your gos - pel's con - so - la - tion while we here on



es here giv - en draw us whol - ly up to heav - en.  
all good liv - ing come but by your gra - cious giv - ing.  
songs may please you, as with grate - ful hearts we praise you.  
earth a - wait you, till in heav'n with praise we greet you.

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## KYRIE



Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.



Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

## GLORIA

1 All glo - ry be to God on high, who has the world be -  
 2 O Fa - ther, for your lord - ship true we give you praise and  
 3 Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, cre - a - tion's  
 4 O Ho - ly Spir - it, per - fect gift, who brings us con - so -

friend - ed; to us no harm shall now come nigh, the  
 hon - or; we wor - ship you; we trust in you; we  
 au - thor, re - deem - er of your wan - d'ring ones, and  
 la - tion: to men and wom - en saved by Christ as -

strife at last is end - ed. God shows good-will to  
 give you thanks for - ev - er. Your will is per - fect,  
 source of all true plea - sure; O Lamb of God, O  
 sure your in - spi - ra - tion. Through sick - ness, need, and

one and all, and peace when trou - bled sin - ners call. Thank  
 and your might re - lent - less - ly con - firms the right; your  
 Lord di - vine, con - form our lives to your de - sign, and  
 bit - ter death, grant us your warm, life - giv - ing breath; our

God for grace and mer - cy!  
 lord - ship is our bless - ing.  
 on us all have mer - cy.  
 lives are in your keep - ing. A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

# WORD

## MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

*Following the children's message your children will go with their teachers to room 109 in the education wing for a lesson. They will return prior to communion.*

## OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 58:1-9a*

*Shortly after the return of Israel from exile in Babylon, the people were troubled by the ineffectiveness of their fasts. God reminds them that outward observance is no substitute for genuine fasting that results in acts of justice, such as feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, and clothing the naked.*

A reading from Isaiah, the fifty-eighth chapter.

**S**hout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. <sup>2</sup>Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. <sup>3</sup>“Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. <sup>4</sup>Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. <sup>5</sup>Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? <sup>6</sup>Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? <sup>7</sup>Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? <sup>8</sup>Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. <sup>9a</sup>Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

The Word of the Lord.   **Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE READING *1 Corinthians 2:1-12*

*Though people such as the Corinthians are enamored with human philosophy and wisdom, Paul continuously presents God's hidden wisdom which is Jesus Christ crucified. True spiritual maturity involves judging ourselves and others in light of God's revelation in the cross.*

A reading from 1 Corinthians, the second chapter.

**W**hen I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. <sup>4</sup>My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. <sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. <sup>7</sup>But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him”—<sup>10</sup>these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

The Word of the Lord.   **Thanks be to God.**



1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you  
 2 Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you  
 3 You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your ho - ly



broke the loaves be - side the sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page  
 blessed the bread by Gal - i - lee. Then shall all bond-age cease,  
 word the truth that res - cues me. Give me to eat and live



I seek you, Lord; my spir - it waits for you, O liv - ing Word.  
 all fet - ters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All - in - All!  
 with you a - bove; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

### HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 5:13-20*

*In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages his followers to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, doing good works and keeping God's commandments.*

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the fifth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**J**esus said: "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. <sup>14</sup>"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup>No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. <sup>17</sup>"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup>For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

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

**APOSTLES' CREED**

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we profess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary,**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** *(kneel or sit, as able)*

*An intercessor invites the assembly into prayer with these words*

Trusting that God hears us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence.*

Holy God, it is your desire that all people might come to know you intimately. Lead our communities into deeper relationship with you. May your church radiate your righteousness to all whom we encounter.

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of creation, you quench the dry ground, bringing water that sustains life. Satisfy the needs of all the earth, so that all living things bear witness to your verdant grace and continue to shout your praise.

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of glory, during your time here on earth you were crucified by powerful rulers who did not understand you. Grant leaders in our day wisdom and discernment, that they may recognize you in the lives of the people they serve. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of justice, you free us from the oppression that binds us and exhort us to serve one another. Liberate us from all fear, bigotry, and greed, and set our hearts and minds on love, equality, and justice. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of life, you reveal your saving love to us through the power of your Spirit. Bless those among us who are preparing to encounter your invigorating will in a new way, especially those preparing for or affirming baptism. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**



God of all eternity, we give you thanks for the lives of the saints who have pointed us towards faithfulness in you. May we trust in your endless mercy and grace. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*The presiding minister concludes the prayers with these words.*

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

# **HOLY COMMUNION**

*All baptized Christians are welcome to Holy Communion at Saint James. If you desire to receive Communion at the altar, please proceed to the altar and kneel at the communion rail. If you desire to receive Communion at the station located below the pulpit, please proceed toward the chancel steps for reception of Communion on the nave level. Communion is administered by intinction. Take the wafer from the assistant then dip it in the wine. Communion will be brought to persons in the pews who are unable to come forward. Please advise an usher if you wish the pastor to do so.*

## **PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND OFFERING**

### **ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY**

*This Little Light o' Mine*

John Work (1901 - 1967)



## OFFERTORY RESPONSE *(Stand)*



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the  
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

**God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels,

## SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life: Blessed are you for the birth of creation. Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light. Blessed are you for your promise to your people. Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams. Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will. Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

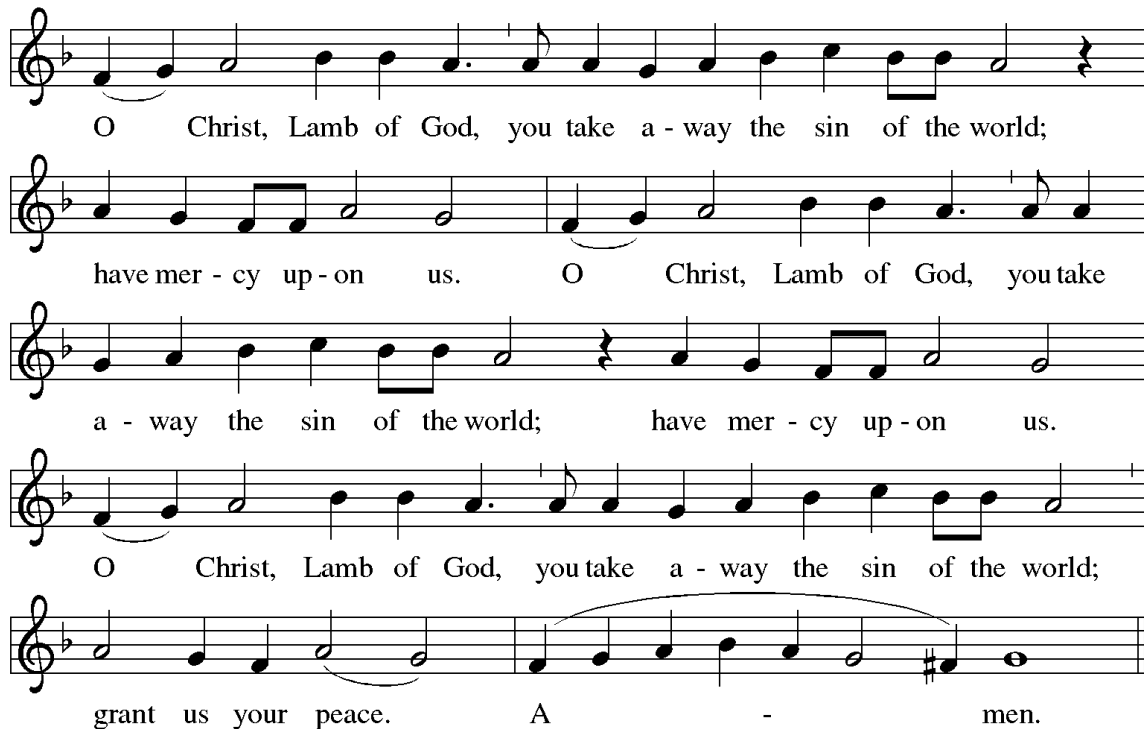
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

## AGNUS DEI (Sit)



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



- 1 As when the shep-herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;
- 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude
- 3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out-poured?
- 4 The mys - t'ry of your pres-ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:
- 5 You give your-self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,



so when you call your fam-'ly, Lord, we fol - low and re - joice.  
 that you should count us wor - thy, Lord, to share this heav'n-ly food.  
 Do not one cup, one loaf, de - clare our one - ness in the Lord?  
 whom all the world can - not con - tain comes in our hearts to dwell.  
 to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.

## MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

From *L'Orgue Mystique*, Op. 56

Charles Tournemire (1870 - 1939)

Dominica in Septuagesima: Élévation and Communion

## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING *(Stand)*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

# SENDING

## BLESSING

May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose. And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ✝ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always. **Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

*Rise, Shine, You People!*

WOJTKIEWIECZ



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered  
2 See how he sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing;  
3 Come, cel - e - brate; your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,  
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent the Son to save us.



our hu - man sto - ry; God in him is cen - tered. He comes to  
he brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing. All men and  
your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark - ness hurl - ing. To all the  
Tell of the Son, who life and free - dom gave us. Tell how the



us, by death and sin sur - round - ed, with grace un - bound - ed.  
wom - en, who by guilt are driv - en, now are for - giv - en.  
world go out and tell the sto - ry of Je - sus' glo - ry.  
Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry na - tion God's new cre - a - tion.

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Let your light shine.

**Thanks be to God!**

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Choral, Op. 37, No. 4*

Joseph Jongen (1873 - 1953)

## RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

*The Liturgy Has Ended; The Service Begins!*

# WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The deadline for notices to be included in the weekly notices is 9:00 on Wednesday morning.  
Please e-mail all information to the church office at [keith@sjnc.net](mailto:keith@sjnc.net)

## PRAYER LIST

(additions to full listing of names in monthly newsletter)

Nickie Bergreen  
Gary Elliott, son-in-law of Ann Fridlund  
Ruth Whittecar Matkins, sister of Margaret Garrison

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

09-Feb Jim Marlow  
10-Feb John King III  
11-Feb Natalie Sheldon  
12-Feb Jean Beasley  
13-Feb Wade Bestler  
13-Feb Jeff Carpenter  
15-Feb Lori Pittard

## OUR STEWARDSHIP Contributions and Receipts for February 2, 2020:

**\$38,784.91**

(\$8,414.00 needed per week)

## CONTRIBUTE ONLINE

You may make contributions online by visiting our website at [www.sjnc.net](http://www.sjnc.net). You may contribute to the General Fund or to a designated fund. Look for the link "On-Line Giving" on the Saint James home page.

## 2020 FLOWER CALENDAR

The 2020 Flower Calendar is posted on the bulletin board. Sign up now! Please complete a flower reservation form when you sign up and turn into the office.

## WEDNESDAYS TOGETHER

Join your St. James' family on February 12 at 5:30 p.m. for food, fellowship, and bible study. The menu is baked chicken with potatoes, salad, bread and dessert.

## LIVELY LEISURES

The February Lively Leisures' luncheon will be in the fellowship hall on Tuesday, February 18 at 12:00 p.m. The Phoenix Readers will present the program. For more information, contact Sylvia Corl. [shcorlatcarolyn@aol.com](mailto:shcorlatcarolyn@aol.com)

## VALENTINE'S DINNER

Make your reservations now for the Valentine's Dinner on February 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Calvary Fellowship Hall. Reservation forms are in the narthex. Proceeds go to the Calvary/St. James Youth Fund. You can also reserve online by scanning this QR code.



## TIME AND TALENT

You received a copy of the Time and Talent form in last Sunday's bulletin. If you didn't have a chance to complete a form yet, copies are in the narthex. Please take the time to complete so that we can update your contact information and also to find where you have a passion for serving at St. James. Thank you!



## PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Preschool Enrollment for 2020 – 2021 begins February 1<sup>st</sup>. Call Aurora Swain at 864-379-9603 and or the main office at 704-786-5613 or email [office@familiesfirstcc.org](mailto:office@familiesfirstcc.org)

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a congregational meeting at the beginning of worship on Sunday, February 23. The purpose of the meeting will be to receive the annual reports. Thank you to everyone who has submitted the information included.



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 Charlotte Davis

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**Next Week:**  
 Susan Miller

**LECTOR**

**Today:**  
 Brad Davis  
**Next Week:**  
 Margaret Garrison

**INTERCESSOR**

**Today:**  
 Lois Marlow  
**Next Week:**  
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**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS**

**Today:**  
 Kim Haberman  
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**ALTAR GUILD**

Gretchen Walker  
 Debbie Davis

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**Next Week:**  
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 Meghan Kuly  
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**BUILDING SUPERVISOR**

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**THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY, February 9**

9:00 Sunday School  
 9:00 Choir Rehearsal  
 10:00 Worship  
 5:00 Jr. Youth  
 6:00 Sr. Youth

**MONDAY, February 10**

10:30 Quilting Group  
 6:30 Boy/Cub Scouts

**TUESDAY, February 11**

6:00 Congregation Council

**WEDNESDAY, February 12**

12:05 Chapel  
 1:00 Sit, Stand, Stretch Yoga  
 5:30 Wednesdays Together  
 6:00 Handbell Rehearsal  
 7:00 Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY, February 13**

10:30 Singing Seniors at  
 Universal Health

**FRIDAY, February 14**

7:00 Valentine's Dinner

**SATURDAY, February 15**

10:00 Celebrating Sobriety

**SUNDAY, February 16**

9:00 Sunday School  
 9:00 Choir Rehearsal  
 10:00 Worship  
 11:15 Evangelism  
 11:30 Pre-Confirmation  
 2:00 Confirmation  
 5:00 Jr. Youth  
 6:00 Sr. Youth

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