



St. James' Episcopal Church
January 19, 2025
5 pm
The Feast of Martin Luther King Jr.

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome at this table.

The Gathering of the Community

Please stand as you are able.

Presider This is the message we have heard from the beginning:

People that we should love one another.

Presider Christ is our peace, who has made us one:

People he has broken down the barriers which divided us.

Bless the Lord

LEVAS 65

Bless the Lord, — O my soul: and all that is with-

in me, Bless His ho - ly — name. —

Fine

He has done great things, — He has done great —

things, — He has done great things, Bless His ho - ly name!

D.C.

Presider

Let us give thanks for the coming of God's reign of justice and love.

People

Jesus Christ is good news for the poor, release for the captives, recovery of sight for the blind and liberty for those who are oppressed.

Presider

Let us praise God.

Gloria

LEVAS 243

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of four systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line (treble clef) and piano accompaniment (grand staff with treble and bass clefs). The lyrics are: "Glo - ry, Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name, — Glo - ry, Glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name. — 1. Glo - ry to God — in the high - est, and peace to His peo - ple on earth. —"

2. Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther, we

wor-ship you, - we give you thanks, - we praise you for - your glo-ry.

Unison

3. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, Glo-ry,

Glo-ry, hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name, - Glo-ry,

Glo-ry hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name. 4. You

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us, 5. You are

seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. 6. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, You a - lone are the Lord,

Unison

7. You a - lone_ are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the

Descant

Lord, _____ Lord _____ we
 glo - ry of the Fa - ther. Glo - ry, Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we

praise _____ you _____ Lord, _____ Lord _____ hal - le -
 praise your Ho - ly name, _____ Glo - ry, Glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we

Descant

lu - jah.
Women
 Praise your Ho - ly name.
Men
 Praise your Ho - ly name.

A - - - men.

The Collect of the Day

Presider May God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant, you led your people out of slavery and made them free at last. Grant that your Church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, Jr., may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings

The First Reading

Exodus 3:7-12

Lector A reading from Exodus.

The Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 77:11-20

I will remember the works of the Lord,
and call to mind your wonders of old time.

**I will meditate on all your acts
and ponder your mighty deeds.**

Your way, O God, is holy;
who is so great a god as our God?

**You are the God who works wonders
and have declared your power among the peoples.**

By your strength you have redeemed your people,
the children of Jacob and Joseph.

**The waters saw you, O God;
the waters saw you and trembled;
the very depths were shaken.**

The clouds poured out water;
the skies thundered;
your arrows flashed to and fro;

**The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind;
your lightnings lit up the world;
the earth trembled and shook.**

Your way was in the sea,
and your paths in the great waters,
yet your footsteps were not seen.

**You led your people like a flock
by the hand of Moses and Aaron.**

The Second Reading

Ephesians 6:10-20

Lector A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians.

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Spirit of the Living God

LEVAS 115

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of two systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me,". The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.

Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me.

The Gospel

Luke 6:27-36

Deacon
People

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Praise and glory to God.

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Deacon
People

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to Christ, the Word.

The Sermon

The Rev. Addison McMillan, Curate

An Affirmation of Faith

Please stand as you are able.

People **You, O God, are supreme and holy.
You create our world and give us life.
Your purpose overarches everything we do.
You have always been with us.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved your love for us in Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.
You are our God.
We worship you.**

Prayers of the People

Intercessor Fulfill your dream of liberty for all people, Almighty One, as we come to you in hope, praying: Let your justice roll down like water, and righteousness like a mighty stream.

Intercessor You have called your Church out of bondage into the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, O Holy One: Grant us courage to confront injustice with your disarming grace and to follow your commandment to love our enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return.

People **Let your justice roll down like water,
and righteousness like a mighty stream.**

Intercessor We know that injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere: Inspire the leaders of the world to heed the call of the suffering and to resist the oppression and exploitation of all taskmasters, O Mighty God, that we may all work together to make equality and justice a reality for all God's children.

People **Let your justice roll down like water,
and righteousness like a mighty stream.**

Intercessor Look upon your children who live with poverty, racism, violence, or abuse and comfort them with champions of mercy, O Compassionate One, that all humanity may be inspired to do unto others as we would have them do unto us.

Let your justice roll down like water,
People and righteousness like a mighty stream.

Intercessor Fill this community with your love, O Gracious One, that we may walk in the light of creative altruism and not in the darkness of destructive selfishness, sitting together with our neighbors at the table of brotherhood.

Let your justice roll down like water,
People and righteousness like a mighty stream.

Intercessor We pray for all who need the comfort of your divine protection and healing presence, especially those we now name, either silently or aloud.

(Pause to hear the prayers of the people or to offer your own.)

We give you thanks for the goodness and blessing of life.

(Pause to hear the prayers of the people or to offer your own.)

We remember those who have died in the struggle for freedom, and all others whom we commend to your eternal arms.

(Pause to hear the prayers of the people or to offer your own.)

Let your justice roll down like water,
People and righteousness like a mighty stream.

Presider We give you thanks, our God, for the witness of your servant Martin Luther King, Jr., and we commit ourselves to the continuation of the struggle to resist oppression in the name of your love, until all of your people may be free at last, living together in your promised land of freedom and peace, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Presider Let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor.

In the silence, we are invited to examine the brokenness in our own lives and in the world and to pray that, with God's merciful help, we might set our feet upon paths of repentance.

**People God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves,
and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power

of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider Blessed be Christ the Prince of Peace.

People Who breaks down the walls that divide.

Presider The peace of God be always with you.

People Praise to Christ who unites us in peace.

Please be mindful of each other's varied boundaries while greeting during the peace.

Announcements and Blessings

Offertory



Instead of passing the plates during the offertory, we invite you to make an offering through the Offering Box in the Narthex/lobby or by using the QR code.

We offer our gifts to God: our lives, our abilities, our resources.

Holy Communion

Please stand as you are able.

Presider The Lord is here.

People God's Spirit is with us.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

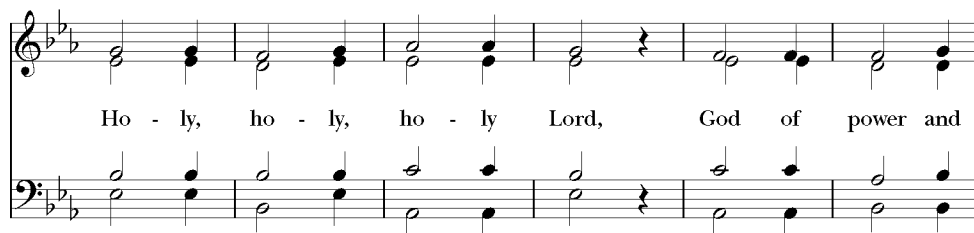
People It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Presider Praise to you, Jesus Christ, God with us. You show us the fullness of life; help us to find this life for ourselves and for others. Christ is now our peace, our freedom, and our guide.

Therefore with people of every nation, tribe and language, joyfully we give you thanks and sing:

Sanctus

S 130



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven 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.

Please stand or kneel.

Presider All glory and honor to you, God of grace, for you gave your only Son Jesus Christ once for all on the cross to be the one perfect sacrifice for the sin of the world, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

The night before he died he took bread, and when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

Therefore, loving God, in this sacrament of the suffering and death of your Son, we now celebrate the wonder of your grace and proclaim the mystery of our faith.

Memorial Acclamation

Je - sus Christ has died, Je - sus Christ is ri - sen,

Je - sus Christ will come a - gain; Oh,

Deep in my heart. I do be lieve

(Oh)

Je - sus Christ will come a - gain.

This musical score is for a piano accompaniment. It features a treble and bass clef. The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Je - sus Christ will come a - gain." The music is in a simple, homophonic style with a steady rhythm.

Presider Redeemer God, rich in mercy, infinite in goodness, we were far off until you brought us near and our hands are empty until you fill them. As we eat this bread and drink this wine, through the power of your Holy Spirit feed us with heavenly food, renew us in your service, unite us with Christ, and bring us to your everlasting kingdom. O the depths and the riches of your wisdom, O God: how unsearchable are your judgments and untraceable your ways.

People From you, and through you, and for you are all things. To you be the glory forever.

The Great Amen

LEVAS 261

A - men, A - men,
A - men, A - men,
A - men, A - men, A - men.

This musical score is for a piano accompaniment of "The Great Amen". It features a treble and bass clef. The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men." The music is in a simple, homophonic style with a steady rhythm.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider As Christ has taught us to pray, we are bold to sing,

D D A D
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven,

5 D C D G
Hal - low - ed be Your Name. Your king - dom come, Your

8 D C D
will be done one earth as in hea - ven

12 D A D D G D
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we for -

16 G D C D
give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial


19 D C D
and de - li - ver us from e - vil. For the

21 C G D
king dom, the pow - er, and the glo - ry, are

23 C D
Yours now and for - e - ver. A - men, A - men.


The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant



We break this bread to share in the bo - dy of Christ.

3 People



We who are ma - ny are one bo - dy for we all share the one bread.

Presider Bread and wine, the gifts of God for the people of God.

People **May we who share these gifts be found in Christ and Christ in us.**

Presider Wherever you are on your journey of faith,

People **You are welcome at this table.**

Please follow the guidance of the ushers to approach the altar to receive communion. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

Give me a clean heart

LEVAS 124



Give me a clean heart so I may serve

Thee. Lord, fix my heart so that I may be used by

thee. For I'm not wor - thy of all these bless -

ings. Give me a clean heart and I'll fol-low thee.

1. I'm not ask - ing for the rich - es of the land.
 (2. Some - times) I am up and some - times I am down.

1. — I'm not ask - ing for the proud to know my
 2. — Some - times I am al - most lev - el to the

1. name. Please give me, Lord, a clean heart, that
2. ground. Please give me, Lord, a clean heart, that

1. I may fol - low thee. Give me a clean heart, a
2. I may fol - low thee. Give me a clean heart, a

1. clean heart, and I will fol - low thee. 2. Some-times
2. clean heart, and I will fol - low thee.

The Prayer after Communion

Please stand as you are able.

Presider	Blessed be God who calls us together.
People	Praise to God who makes us one people.
Presider	Blessed be God who has forgiven our sin.
People	Praise to God who gives hope and freedom.
Presider	Blessed be God whose Word is proclaimed.
People	Praise to God who is revealed as love.
Presider	Blessed be God who alone has called us.
People	Therefore we offer all that we are and all that we shall become.
Presider	Accept, O God, our sacrifice of praise.
People	Amen. Accept our thanks for all you have done. Our hands were empty, and you filled them.

The Blessing

Presider Do not be daunted by the enormity of the world's grief. Do justly now. Love mercy now. Walk humbly now. You are not obligated to complete the work, but neither are you free to abandon it and may the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life. be with you now and remain with you always. **Amen.**

We're marching to Zion

LEVAS 12

1. Come, we that love the Lord, And let our joys be known; Join
 2. Let those refuse to sing Who never knew our God; But
 3. The hill of Zion yields A thousand sacred sweets; Be
 4. Then let our songs abound, And every tear be dry; We're

1. in a song with sweet accord, Join in a song with sweet ac -
 2. chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King, But chil - dren of the heav'n - ly
 3. fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, Be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly
 4. march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground, We're march - ing thro' Im - man - uel's

1. cord, And thus sur - round the throne, And thus sur - round the throne.
 2. King, May speak their joys a - broad, May speak their joys a - broad.
 3. fields, Or walk the gold - en streets, Or walk the gold - en streets.
 4. ground, To fair - er worlds on high, To fair - er worlds on high.

We're march - ing to Zi - on, Beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful
 We're march - ing on to Zi - on,

Zi - on; We're march - ing up - ward to Zi - on,
Zi - on, Zi - on,
The beau - ti - ful cit - y of God.

The Dismissal of the Community

Deacon Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.

People Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

Prayer List

The Prayer List is prayed on a regular basis by our Monday night Intercessory Prayer Group. We invite you to incorporate praying the list into your own prayer practices. To add a name to the prayer list, email prayerbox@stjamesaustin.org. Prayer requests from the website will be auto-forwarded to the pastoral care ministry and the office.

We pray for (3 weeks list): , Emma McPherson, Roxanne Bogucka, Paul Bogucki, Gloria Kennedy, Mathilde Hyam-Flores, Leopoldo Chavez, Huitzin Chavez, Ericka Orta, Arlene Youngblood, Austin Dale Maddux, and Nancy Mason.

We also pray for those with long-term needs: Scott Alfano and family, Kevin Reed, the Rev. Dr. Sondra Coleman, Cliff Keeling, Historic St. Matthias Episcopal Church, Asheville, NC., Geneva Elliott, Larry Schanki, Amy, Horace Bledsoe, Jeremy and Shelby, Jimmy Alexander, Mahealani, Robin Clough Powell, Melinda King, John Baxton, Mary Ellen, Curt Jones, James Gibson, Michele Bondy, Jeremy Alexande, Donna Plowman, Johann and Susanna, Judy Jenkins, Nancy Gabin, Wiley Williams, Michael Hughes, Anqet, Susan Gunn, BJ Taylor, Russel Taulli, Pedro E., Robin Fuller, Kisa Niewenhuis, Frank Weir and his family, Candice Brown, Jacob Schumacher and his family, Shirley Gordon, Bowen W., Vanessa Williams, Jim Burgess, Cindy, Jason and Jalen Castillo, Niesha Jones, Truitt Ray, Jerry, Marty, Emma McPherson, Pat, Kamilah Myrie, Tom and Dee Esquivel, Sammie A. Eppright, David Batty, Samuel Carothers, Anna Pecorino, Philip and family, John White, Brigitte Rhedin, Dan Shaw, Kirk Richter, Raymond Coleman, Cecilia Harris, Lily Thomas, Sandra Gilkey, Leslie Rose, Sean Calloway, Miles Calloway, Carrie Eppright-Givens, Clayton Givens, Roland Brown, Joy Roswell, Gaye Evans, Rose Watley, Carolyn Caffrey, Joseph Naranjo, Margaret Ann Bledsoe, Brandy, Andrea, Vanessa, Lorenza, Mrs. Lakeyshia Brown, Pam Beachley, Stephanie Smith, Elizabeth Sherar Gammon and Steven Sherar, Rebecca Kary, Sherry Ward, Carrie Schumacher, William Collier, Adrian Spears, Mark Werner, Myrna, Evelyn Marie Taylor, Nellie White, Gail Jackson, Richard Ezell, Mary Glennie, Edith Conde and family, Jacob Blake, John Paul Guajardo, Richard White, Andre Watkins, Jana Murphy, Justin Howell and his family, Bruce Blackwell, Doug Lawrie, Tara Turner, Gertrude Fowler, Claudette Milne, Frankie Scott, Mark McCrary, Kési Anderson, Rev. James Palmore, Cleo B., Jason A., Reed B., Angelina, Mike C., Diane Hoffman, Brian M,

Joyce, Ganelle, Noah, Thor, Troy, Allissa, Charlene Moore, Eugenia Hayes, Tim and Shalmah, Carol Daughtry, Rachel and Daniel, Rebekah, Diane Neill, Cecile, Mildred Grimble, Margie Lawson, Melvin Alfred, Natrice Harding, Anne Osbourne, Richelle Easley, Patricia Harding, Brandon Williams, Joey Ramirez, Marvin Sykes, Max and his mother, Paul Gill, Samuel Kraemer-Dahlin, Jacquelyn Ferrell Mccadden, Ursula Ferrell Jackson, Ronnie Yarmuck, Bertha Malone, Samah Al Adawi, Hazel Livingston, Arthur Shelton; and for all who are incarcerated and for their families, and all the refugees throughout the world. God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit.

We pray for all who have died, including Barbara Brown, mother of Roxanne Bogucka. Condolences may be sent to Roxanne Bogucka & Paul Bogucki, 1422 Broadmoor Drive, Austin TX 78723.

Announcements

Monday, January 20, MLK rally at the Capitol and March to Huston-Tillotson University

Tomorrow, be a part of the gathering at the south steps of the State Capitol for the rally and join us as we march to Huston-Tillotson University. We meet around 10 am. Look for the St. James' banner.

Wednesday, January 22, Young Adults (20s and 30s) Bible Study, 7pm

Join us Tuesday evening in Founders Hall for Bible Study and fellowship.

Save the Date, January 26, Annual Parish Meeting, 11:45 am

On behalf of the Vestry, Senior Warden Simone Talma Flowers invites you to the Annual Parish Meeting on the last Sunday of the month. We plan to conduct the 10:30 am service in record time in order to get you snacks, headsets for interpretation as needed, and to get everyone into the pews for the meeting. Plan to join us. Simultaneous translation into Spanish will be available. Elect new Vestry members; explore the budget; celebrate good news! Childcare is available with RSVP for ages infant through 5th grade. Contact office@stjamesaustin.org to reserve your childcare spot.

Monday January 28, Mueller Tuesdays, 7 pm-8 pm

Join us for Mueller Tuesdays at the Overture (4818 Berkman Dr., Austin, TX 78723). We will meet up in the Cork Room on the first floor.

Saturday, February 1, Brush busters 9 am

Brush Busters help care for the plants, trees and other green things on our campus grounds. Join us Saturday, February 1 at 9 am. Bring gloves, tools and your knowledge. For more information, contact Jill Lacour, Junior Warden at jilllacour@yahoo.com.