



# St. James' Episcopal Church

May 4, 2025

10:30 am

## The Third Sunday of Easter

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

*Please stand as you are able.*

*Praise Him!*

LEVAS 98

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1. 4. Praise Him! Praise Him!  
2. Glo - ry! Glo - ry! In  
3. Ooh Ooh

1. 4. Praise Him! Praise Him! Je - sus, Bless-ed  
2. all things give Him glo - ry. Je - sus, Bless-ed  
3. Ooh Ooh Je - sus, Bless-ed

**Fine**

1. 4. Sav - ior, He's wor - thy to be \_\_\_\_\_ praised. From the  
 2. Sav - ior, He's wor - thy to be \_\_\_\_\_ praised. For \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Sav - ior, He's wor - thy to be \_\_\_\_\_ praised. From the

1. ris - ing of the \_\_\_\_\_ sun un - til the  
 2. God \_\_\_\_\_ is our \_\_\_\_\_ rock, hope of sal -  
 3. ris - ing of the \_\_\_\_\_ sun un - til the

1. go - ing down of the \_\_\_\_\_ same; He's wor - thy, Je - sus is  
 2. va - tion; A strong de - li - ver -  
 3. go - ing down of the \_\_\_\_\_ same; He's wor - thy, Je - sus is

*D.S.*

1. wor - thy, He's wor - thy to be praised.  
 2. er, In Him I will al - ways trust.  
 3. wor - thy, He's wor - thy to be praised.

### The Word of God

**Celebrant** Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People** **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

**Celebrant** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People** **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Celebrant** There is one Body and one Spirit;

**People** **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

**Celebrant** One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

**People** **One God and Father of all.**

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

**Celebrant** Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### Gloria

S236

1. Glo - ry to you, Lord  
 God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;

glo - ry to you. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Glo - ry to you \_\_\_\_\_

— for the ra - di-ance of your ho - ly Name; — we will

praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Glo - ry to you \_\_\_\_\_ in the splen - dor of your

tem - ple; \_\_\_\_\_ on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to

you. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -

ween the Cher - u - bim; \_\_\_\_\_ we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

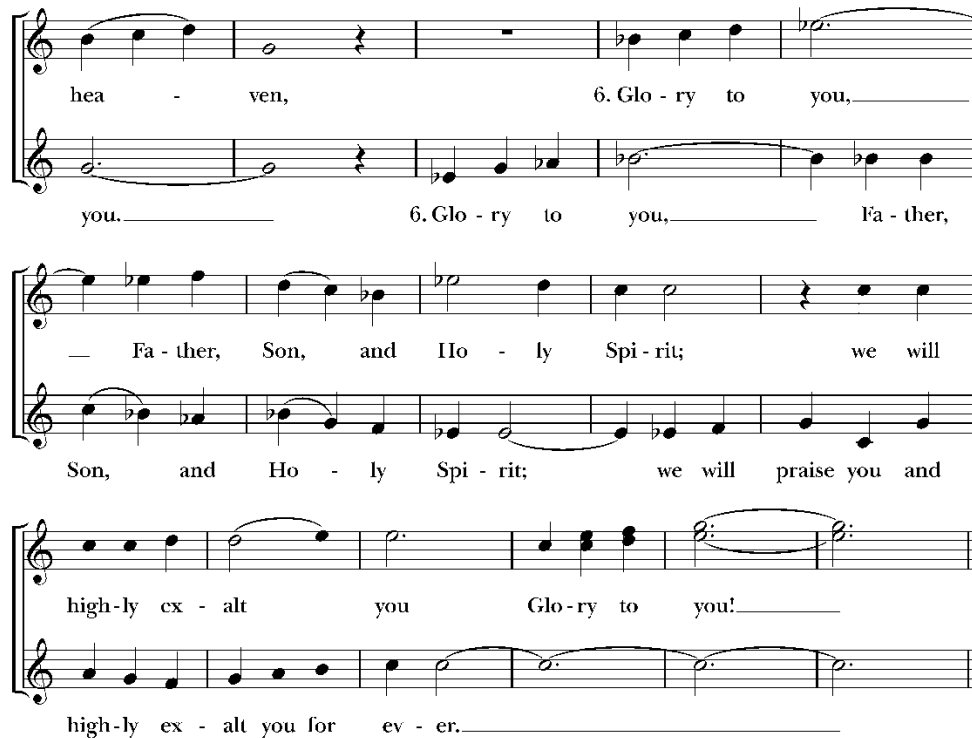
*Descant*

5. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ be -

5. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ be - hold - ing the

hold-ing the depths; \_\_\_\_\_ in the high vault of

depths; \_\_\_\_\_ in the high vault of hea-ven, glo - ry to



*Please be seated for the readings.*

## **The First Reading**

Acts 5:27-32

Lector

A reading from the Book of Acts.

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." [The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief

priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

Lector  
People

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

**Psalm**

Psalm 30

I will exalt you, O Lord,  
because you have lifted me up  
and have not let my enemies triumph over me .

**O Lord my God, I cried out to you,  
and you restored me to health .**

You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead;  
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave .

**Sing to the Lord, you servants of his;  
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness**

For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye,  
his favor for a lifetime .

**Weeping may spend the night,  
but joy comes in the morning .**

While I felt secure, I said,  
"I shall never be disturbed."  
You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

**Then you hid your face,  
and I was filled with fear .**

I cried to you, O Lord;  
I pleaded with the Lord, saying,

**"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit?  
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?**

Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me;  
O Lord, be my helper."

**You have turned my wailing into dancing;  
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.**

Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;  
O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever .

## The Second Reading

Revelation 5:11-14

Lector A reading from Book of Revelation.  
I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice,  
"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered  
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might  
and honor and glory and blessing!"  
Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,  
"To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb  
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"  
And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

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

*Let all that is within me cry holy*

LEVAS 85

The musical score is for a hymn titled "Let all that is within me cry holy". It is written for a voice and piano. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is in the voice part, and the piano accompaniment is in the piano part. The lyrics are: "Let all that is within me cry, 1. 'Ho - ly!' Let 2. 'Bless - ed!' 3. 'Wor - thy!'". The piano part features a steady accompaniment with chords and moving lines in both hands.

all that is with - in me \_ cry, 1. "Ho - ly!" 2. "Bless - ed!" 3. "Wor - thy!" Ho - ly! Bless - ed! Wor - thy!

1. Ho - ly! 2. Bless - ed! 3. Wor - thy! Ho - ly is the Lamb that was slain. Bless - ed is the Lamb that was slain. Wor - thy is the Lamb that was slain.

## The Gospel

John 21:1-19

Deacon  
People

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So



Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Deacon            The Gospel of the Lord.  
People            Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. Eileen O'Brien, Rector

## **Holy Baptism**

*The people may be seated as the candidates, parents, and godparents approach the altar.*

### **Presentation and Examination of the Candidates**

Celebrant            The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents & Godparents

I present Alice Arceneaux to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*To the parents and godparents:*

Celebrant            Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents            I will, with God's help.

Celebrant            Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents            I will, with God's help.

*To parents and godparents, who speak on behalf of this child.*

Celebrant            Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer            I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

*The Celebrant addresses the congregation.*

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

**People We will.**

Celebrant Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

### **The Baptismal Covenant**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**People 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 to the dead.**

**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.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**People 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.**

Celebrant	Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
<b>People</b>	<b>I will, with God's help.</b>
Celebrant	Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
<b>People</b>	<b>I will, with God's help.</b>
Celebrant	Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
<b>People</b>	<b>I will, with God's help.</b>
Celebrant	Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
<b>People</b>	<b>I will, with God's help.</b>
Celebrant	Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
<b>People</b>	<b>I will, with God's help.</b>

### Prayers for the Candidate

Celebrant	Let us now pray for Alice Arceneaux, who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.
Intercessor	Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
<b>People</b>	<b>Lord, hear our prayer.</b>
Intercessor	Open her heart to your grace and truth.
<b>People</b>	<b>Lord, hear our prayer.</b>
Intercessor	Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
<b>People</b>	<b>Lord, hear our prayer.</b>
Intercessor	Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
<b>People</b>	<b>Lord, hear our prayer.</b>
Intercessor	Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.
<b>People</b>	<b>Lord, hear our prayer.</b>
Intercessor	Send her into the world in witness to your love.
<b>People</b>	<b>Lord, hear our prayer.</b>
Intercessor	Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.
<b>People</b>	<b>Lord, hear our prayer.</b>
Celebrant	Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. <b>Amen.</b>

# Procession to the Font

Wade in the water

verses 3 and 4

LEVAS 143

Wade in the wa - ter, wade in the wa-ter, chil - dren,

Wade in the wa - ter, God's a-gon-na trou-ble the wa - ter. **Fine**

1. See that host all dressed in white,  
 2. See that band all dressed in red,  
 3. Look o - ver yon-der, what do I see? God's a-gon-na trou-ble the  
 4. If you don't be-lieve I've been re - deemed,

1. The lead - er looks like the Is - ra - elite,  
 2. Looks like the band that Mo - ses led,  
 wa - ter. 3. The Ho - ly Ghost a - com - ing on me,  
 4. Just fol - low me down to Jor - dan's stream,

God's a - gon - na trou - ble the wa - ter. **D.C.**

## Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

**People And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

## The Baptism

Celebrant Alice Arceneaux, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People Amen.**

Celebrant Alice Arceneaux, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever.

**People Amen.**

Celebrant Receive the light of Christ and be a light to the world.

**People Amen.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon your servant the forgiveness of sin and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

**People Amen.**

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**People We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

## Procession to the Altar

*Jesus loves me*

LEVAS 218

1. Je - sus loves me! this I know, For the bi - ble tells me so;  
2. Je - sus loves me! He who died, Hea - ven's gate to op - en wide;  
3. Je - sus take this heart of mine, Make it pure and whol - ly thine;

1. Lit - tle ones to Him be - long; They are weak but He is strong.  
2. He will wash a - way my sin, Let His lit - tle child come in.  
3. On the cross you died for me, I will try to live for thee.

Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!

Yes, Je - sus loves me! The bi - ble tells me so.

## The Peace

**Celebrant** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People** And also with you.

*Please be mindful of each other's varied boundaries.*

## Announcements and Blessings

### Birthday Prayer

**People** Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up when they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Anniversary Prayer

**People** Eternal God, creator and preserver of all life, author of salvation, and giver of all grace: Look with favor upon the world you have made, for which your Son gave his life, and surround this couple with your love. Grant that their wills may be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your Spirit, that they may grow in love and peace with you and one another all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Offertory



*The plates will be passed during the offertory, but you may also make an offering through the Offering Box in the Narthex (lobby) or by using this QR code.*

*Shall We Gather at the River*

arr. John Carter

*Please stand as you are able.*

### The Doxology

H380



\*3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

**The Holy Communion**  
**The Great Thanksgiving**

Eucharistic Prayer B BCP 367

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

**Celebrant** Lift up your hearts.

**People** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**Celebrant** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

**Celebrant** It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth because in Jesus Christ our Lord, you have received us as children, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Sanctus*

LEVAS 253

The musical score for the Sanctus is presented in three systems. Each system consists of a piano accompaniment (left hand) and a vocal line (right hand). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 6/8. The first system shows the beginning of the piece with a piano introduction. The second system includes the lyrics "Ho - ly," and the third system includes the lyrics "ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, —". The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note pattern in the left hand and chords in the right hand. The vocal line is a simple melody with some triplets indicated by a '3' over the notes.



God of pow - er and might,

1. Heav - en and earth are full  
2.,3. Bless - ed is he who comes

1. of your glo - ry.  
2.,3. in the name of the Lord.

1.,2.  
Ho - san - na! Ho - san -

na in the high -

est. san - na! Ho -

san - na in the high - est.

*Please remain standing as you are able.*

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

## Memorial Acclamation

LEVAS 260

We re - mem - ber His death, We pro - claim His re - sur - rect -

ion, We a - wait His com - ing in

1. glo - ry. 2. We re - glo - ry.

**Celebrant** And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine  
We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. James' and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

# The Great Amen

LEVAS 261

A - men, A - men,

A - men, A - men,

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

Celebrant  
People

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,**  
**for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

**Celebrant** Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People** **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

**Celebrant** The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

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.*

*I come with joy to meet my Lord*

H304

*Unison or harmony*

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -  
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to  
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each  
 4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His  
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der  
 2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -  
 3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us  
 4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship  
 5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.  
 2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
 3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.  
 4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.  
 5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

# Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

1. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le -

(Alto) Al - le - lu - ia.

lu - ia Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le -

lu - ia, (Alto) Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le -

Al - le - lu - ia.

lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. 2. Bles sed lu - ia.

2. Blessed Jesus, etc.
3. Precious Savior,
4. My redeemer
5. Jesus is Lord,
6. Al-le-lu-ia,

Also, verses may be improvised:  
 God is with us; (Christmas)  
 Lord, we love You; (Lent)  
 He is risen; (Easter)

## The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

**People** Loving God, we give thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

## The Blessing

Celebrant God the Father, by whose love Christ was raised from the dead, open to you the gates of everlasting life. **Amen.**

God the Son, who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory, give you joy as you share the Easter faith. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit, who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord, empower you and fill you with Christ's peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*We praise thee, O God*

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1. We praise thee, O God, For the son of thy  
2. We praise thee, O God, For thy spir - it of  
3. All glo - ry and praise To the lamb that was  
4. Re - vive us a - gain, Fill each heart with thy

1. love, For — Je - sus who died And is now gone a - bove.  
2. light, Who has shown us our Sav - ior, And scat - tered our night.  
3. slain, Who has borne all our sins And has cleansed ev - 'ry stain.  
4. love, May each soul be re - kin - dled With fire from a - bove.

Hal - le - lu - jah! Thine the glo - ry, Hal - le - lu - jah! A -



### **The Dismissal of the Community**

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

### **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](mailto: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):** the Madison family and the Agbottah family.

**We also pray for those with long-term needs:** Andrea Richardson and family, Oksana, Eden Poon, Cara Ann Cummins, and her partner Kenneth, Fletcher Michael Francis and his family, Joel, Kurt, Sandy and the Armstrong family, Scott Alfano and family, Rene Beteille, Arlene Youngblood, Emma McPherson, Joann Darr, Kevin Reed, Amy Weir, the Rev. Dr. Sondra Coleman, Cliff Keeling, 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 Tauli, 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, 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, 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** Kwasi and Elizabeth Agbottah, The Rev. Dr. Canon Sandye Wilson, and Joyce Madison, mother of Scott Madison. Notes of condolences may be sent to Scott at 611 Rathervue Place, Austin, TX 78705.

### **Announcements**

#### **Wednesday, May 7, Young Adults (20s and 30s) Bible Study, 7pm**

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

#### **Tuesday, May 13, 7-8 pm Mueller Tuesday at the Overture**

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. We meet every second and fourth Tuesday of the month.

#### **Sunday, May 18, Thurgood Marshall**

Join us as we honor the life and legacy of Thurgood Marshall. Following the 10:30 am service, from 12-1 pm, we will have a conversation and book signing with Dr. Rosalie Martin in Founders Hall. We will hear from Dr. Martin about her new book: *Their Stories, Our Stories: Four Presidents of Huston-Tillotson University*.

#### **Sunday, May 25, Milestone Sunday**



Did you retire, graduate, run your first marathon? We want to celebrate with you. Send us your milestone using this QR code. Don't forget to add a picture. You may also send your milestone to [office@stjamesaustin.org](mailto:office@stjamesaustin.org).



#### **Saturday, June 7, 6 pm, Jazz at St. James' presents: Texas and West Coast Voices Joining Hands for Live of the Diaspora**

Come join us for an evening of soulful tunes and captivating verses at St. James' Episcopal Church. Enjoy the sweet melodies of jazz, watch live painting, and let poets transport you through the power of words. Immerse yourself in the rich tapestry of the diaspora as we celebrate love, culture, and unity through music and poetry. Don't miss out on this unforgettable experience, which includes a catered Indian meal by Ghar Ka Khana caterers. Get your tickets using the QR code or going to <https://www.eventbrite.com/>

#### **Sunday, June 8, This is the Day of Pentecost!**

Email [office@stjamesaustin.org](mailto:office@stjamesaustin.org) if you want to join in the reading of Acts in another language aside from English and Spanish. Wear red. Bring a prepared dish from your heritage to share after the 10:30 service.

#### **June 2-6, Vacation Bible School at St. David's**

9 a.m.-Noon (aftercare available until 3 p.m. for \$25 per child)

Cost: \$75 per child

Because Austin's public school district doesn't start summer break until after Memorial Day this year, we pushed VBS to the first week of June.... This means we get FIVE DAYS OF FUN! Our VBS theme is a Road Trip. Let Rev. Eileen ([rector@stjamesaustin.org](mailto:rector@stjamesaustin.org)) know if you need financial assistance to make this work for your children.

### **June 2-6, St. James' Youth Mission Trip to Houston, Grades 6-12**

This trip, led by Rev. Eileen O'Brien and other intrepid adult volunteers, will take us to Houston to serve various communities and explore its wonders. We will be volunteering with organizations such as The Beacon, The Houston Food Bank, Generation One, Project Rowhouses, etc. On each of these days, we will talk with people who are involved in justice work in the community in the areas of food and housing scarcity, immigrant ministries, gentrification, and education. We will also be teaming up with Houston area Episcopal youth for some fun times together, including a big fun day on Friday.

### **Join the Neighbor to Neighbor (N2N) packing team!**



N2N has many regular volunteers from around Austin, but our shifts are often not full. With the packing team, small groups pack pantry staples, fresh produce, and diapers and then set up for afternoon service to our neighbors. It's meaningful and it's fun! Shifts are from 9-11am or from 11am, 1pm on the 1st and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month. Use the QR code to sign up.

### **Serve the Immigrant Community**

We are in great need of volunteers to help with our Power of Attorney workshops for parents facing possible deportation. The POA gives custody to a family member or friend for kids whose parents are suddenly taken from them. This unfortunately happens more than you would want to believe.

The volunteers help parents fill out the forms. It's easy work, and no experience needed. Our team works with you and provides guidance. We have a series of these workshops in various Austin locations throughout March. Notaries are also needed. We have served 37 families this month through the help of volunteers. Please help us pass the word to others who might be interested in this Gospel call. Contact the Rev. Jim Harrington at [jim@stjamesaustin.org](mailto:jim@stjamesaustin.org) for more information.