



# St. James Parish

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The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 19, 2025, 10:15 a.m.

## HOLY EUCHARIST RITE 2

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Prelude (*please listen in silence, preparing for worship*)

◆Hymn *O Zion, tune thy voice* Hymnal 543

### The Word of God

◆Opening Acclamation BCP pg. 355

◆Collect for Purity BCP pg. 355

◆*Gloria* Hymnal (front section) S 280

◆Collect of the Day (*Contemporary, in unison*) see insert

First Reading Isaiah 62:1–5

Psalms 36:5–10 (*responsively, the People in bold*) see insert

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:1–11

◆HYMN *Songs of thankfulness and praise* (vv. 1–2) Hymnal 135

◆The Holy Gospel John 2:1–11

◆HYMN *Songs of thankfulness and praise* (vv. 3–4) Hymnal 135

The Sermon The Rev. George Roberts

The Nicene Creed BCP pg. xxx

◆The Prayers of the People –

Lord Jesus Christ, you transformed water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana. Transform us with the light of Your radiance and shine in us the courage to share that Light. We pray, Lord, hear our prayer.

For the Church as a font capable of sharing Your light and offering transformative worship and love. We pray, **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the nations of the world that greed may be transformed to selfless service and violence and war changed to peace, all by the power of Your grace and mercy. We pray, **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who struggle in the shadow of addiction, violence, death, war, hunger, poverty, anger or sadness. We pray, **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who have asked for our prayers, especially Ruth, Richard Kelly, Barbara N., Barbara C., Judy and Bill Briggs, Armen, Heather, Dena, Mark, Gary, Liam Shields, Jane, Laurent, Teri, Jordan K., Richard James, Babs, Brian, Joyce Jensen, Tom, Andrew, and for all others we pray for now, silently or aloud [pause] ... We pray, **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who have died, especially Dorothy Reeve, and all others for whom we pray, silently or aloud [*pause here*] ... We pray, **Lord, hear our prayer.**

In thanksgiving for the birth of Joseph Nofziger to Erica and Dustin and of Theo Ferguson to Dani and John, may they have life overflowing with the love of Jesus, we pray, **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant:* Lord, You have the power to change water into wine, hunger into plenty, despair into joy, and death into life. Transform our world and our lives with the Light of Your presence that we may live more fully into the joy and peace that You ordained through Your death and Resurrection. In the Name of Jesus. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin and Absolution BCP pg. 360

The Peace BCP pg. 360

### The Holy Communion

Offertory trad. Besançon carol, arr. by William McCrae  
*Shepherds, Shake Off Your Drowsy Sleep*

◆DOXOLOGY (vs. 3) Hymnal 380

\*The Great Thanksgiving – Prayer B BCP pg. 367

\**Sanctus* Hymnal (front section) S 125

\*The Lord's Prayer BCP pg. 364

\*The Breaking of the Bread BCP pg. 364

*Gluten-free hosts are available.*

Communion Hymns: 339, 487, 497

◆Postcommunion Prayer BCP pg. 366

### Announcements

◆HYMN *The great Creator of the worlds* Hymnal 489

The Dismissal BCP pg. 366

Postlude (*please remain seated to enjoy the Postlude or depart in silence*)

- ◆ You are invited to stand, as able. \* You are invited to kneel, as able.  
BCP refers to *The Book of Common Prayer*, found in the pew book rack.

## *Serving this week*

Crucifer		Chloe Roberts
Acolytes		Erik & Ella Ososki
Altar Guild		Janet LaPierre-Green & Verona Schlosky
Chalichists	8:00 a.m.	Mimi Hostetter
	10:15 a.m.	Carol Kirkwood
Lectors	8:00 a.m.	Jay Hostetter
	10:15 a.m.	John Newton
Ushers	8:00 a.m.	Dave & Kim Faubert
	10:15 a.m.	Dave & Verona Schlosky
Coffee Hour Host		Dave & Verona Schlosky
Welcomer		Kathy Bullard
Care Ministry / Altar Flower delivery		Dona Waugh
Today's altar flowers are given in memory of Monty & Alice Bagdigian. ~ Armen Michalak & Michael Slusarz		



Music for the 10:15 am worship service is streamed with permission under ONELICENSE #A-736322.

**Dominican Republic Mission Trip meeting: TODAY, following the 10:15 am service,** we will have a brief meeting of our Dominican Republic Team. Our “team,” by the way, is **not** a closed-off one, but a group of Christians open to anyone interested in the ministry that we do with our brothers and sisters in Christ in the Dominican Republic. We are currently working with two Tampa area churches and the people of De La Gracia in Boca Chica, to build a church. All who want to know more about the trip, please

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consider coming! We primarily will be deciding what week we plan to go this summer, along with providing some updates.

**Great news!** Construction, so long delayed, has begun for De La Gracia on their long-dreamed for and prayed about church. Enjoy a few pictures in the e-flash and we will try to share more in the coming weeks!! Let us keep Fr. Isaac, the parish's rector, in our prayers, as he has been struggling with gallstones, and for his wife (Grecia) who recently delivered their third child (a girl) via C-section.

**Join us online for worship this morning!** Join us at 10:15 a.m. on Facebook Live (you do NOT need a Facebook account) – <https://bit.ly/StJamesLive>. **Join us on Mondays** for Morning Prayer at 9:30 am, also livestreamed on Facebook at the same link.

**Sunday Bible Study:** Join us for a new Bible study of the Book of Revelation, the last book in Holy Scripture. Many are wary of Revelation as it contains strange prophesies, highly symbolic language, and a vision of future events that can make us uncomfortable. Take heart: Revelation has some of the most hopeful and beautiful passages in all of Holy Writ and isn't always what we expected. Join us Sundays at 12:30 p.m. on Zoom: Meeting ID: 815 4332 7235; Passcode: 982548. If you would like a study guide, please let Fr. George know.



**The 2025 St. James Parish Annual Meeting will be held NEXT SUNDAY, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 am in the parish hall** and invite everyone to bring food to share (an entrée, a side, or dessert) and we will eat potluck style – **a sign up is on the parish hall ramp bulletin board.** We will vote on the budget, elect new Vestry members, and report on the overall state of things at St. James Parish. Join us for worship and then the Meeting. Thank you for all that you do to be Christ's light in and from this place.

**Introduction to our intern:** Hello, my name is Julia Febos, though I go by *Lee*. I am so thrilled to be your intern this year. I grew up in Haddam, CT attending St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in East Haddam. My formation began with week after week of acolyting as a teenager, and the language and motions of the altar became a guiding mystery. After graduating from George Washington University with a BA in History, I pursued a Master of Divinity at Yale Divinity School, where my passion for ministry deepened. These experiences, alongside my early formation at St. Stephen's, have shaped my call to serve and explore the profound mystery of faith. When I am not pondering that, you can find me reading novels and crocheting. I am eager to walk with you all this year, to learn from your community, and to share in the journey of faith together.

**The lectionary readings** for next Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> are:

Nehemiah 8:1–3, 5–6, 8–10; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 12:12–31a; Luke 4:14–21.

**Please support California wildfire response efforts:** Episcopal Relief & Development is working closely with partners to support people affected by the Southern California wildfires. The Wildfire Response Fund is an important tool for responding to immediate needs and supporting long-term recovery. Please contribute in support of these efforts by writing a check to *St. James Parish*, noting *Wildfire Relief* on it, please. We will consolidate our gifts and forward a donation to ER&D.



**The Epiphany Project** is available for viewing in the Parish Hall into next month. The project itself focuses on the Gospels with the fulfillment of Christ's divinity being revealed to all. We thank the following artists for their time and commitment to this project; without their contribution of endless hours of research, skill, talent, and labor to produce their pieces for us to view, this project wouldn't have come to fruition: Dianne Antos, Betsy Bailey, Neil Clark, Dr Janice Lee, Linda Mason, Elizabeth McBride, Tracey Roberts, Grier Torrence, Dee Vincenzo, and Debbie Wagner. Art is meant to inspire, provoke, question, provide an emotional outlet and an array of other things. Please enjoy the show at your leisure and let us know your thoughts.



**St. James movie night: On Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, at 6 pm**, all are invited to bring your own supper – we will provide drinks, popcorn, and dessert – and join is for watching the film *Risen!* The film stars the terrific Joseph Fiennes (*Shakespeare in Love*, *The Handmaid's Tale*) and follows a Roman tribune who has the unenviable job of presiding over the crucifixion of Jesus and then to find the body of Christ, in a race against time, when He “disappears” from the guarded tomb, several days after His death. Featuring great performances by Fiennes, Clifton Collins, Jr (who plays Jesus), Peter Firth (Pilate), and others, *Risen!* features a great story and brings up interesting questions for us to ponder together on our road to discipleship.

**Coffee Hour signups:** Many thanks to who hosted our time of fellowship last year! The 2025 signup is on the parish hall ramp bulletin board, offering you the opportunity to host a Coffee Hour in this New Year! On your day, you make regular & decaffeinated coffee and then clean up after Coffee Hour. Signup for as many Sundays as you'd like – or just one! Signup to work alone or with a friend or two! Marge Litteral has offered to help anyone new to Coffee Hour hosting – just let her know ([margelitteral@comcast.net](mailto:margelitteral@comcast.net)) you'd appreciate some support. Providing simple snacks (cookies, cupcakes, maybe a small gluten-free option) is nice, but not necessary to volunteer for this ministry.



### *Outreach Corner*

**Food Pantry Collection Month:** The Pantry has requested that we focus our donations on snack foods (**pretzels, granola bars, crackers, etc.**), **rice, canned fruit, coffee, and jelly (preferably strawberry, raspberry, marmalade)**. Please bring your donations to the narthex to place in the box labeled *Farmington Food Pantry*. Food and monetary contributions may, of course, be made any time of the year! If you wish to make a monetary contribution, write the check out to *St. James Parish* with *Farmington Food Pantry* in the note section. Please be generous and thank you in advance!

### MISSION STATEMENT

*We welcome all to worship and nurture spiritual growth through faith, grace and reason.  
We reach out to those in need as a caring community &  
live Christ's teaching to love one another.*

### COMMUNION IN THIS CHURCH

All baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's table in the Episcopal Church. If you are visiting, and have received Communion in your own parish, then please share in the sacrament with our parish. Gluten-free hosts are available. If you are not baptized, you are welcome to ask for a blessing.

### GUESTS

A cordial welcome to St. James Parish. Please fill out a Welcome Card in the pew rack and place it in the collection box or hand it to an usher. We invite you to sign our guest book as you leave the church. Scan this QR code to access our website for more information about St. James Parish.

### THE CHURCH IS ALWAYS OPEN FOR PRAYER & MEDITATION

The Parish Office is open Monday–Friday, 9 am–2 pm.  
Sunday worship services are held at 8 am (Rite 1) and 10:15 am (Rite 2).

