

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today: Sunday School 9:00 AM, Holy Communion 10:00 AM. Poinsettia orders due.

Wed., Dec. 18: Evening Prayer 6:00 PM.

Sun., Dec. 22: Sunday School 9:00 AM, Holy Communion 10:00 AM.

Tue., Dec. 24: Holy Communion 3:00 PM

Wed., Dec. 25: Holy Communion 10:00 AM

Sun., Dec. 29: Sunday School 9:00 AM, Holy Communion 10:00 AM. Birthday Potluck after the service. (Barry Johnson-12/14)

FINANCIAL REPORT November 2013

Year-to-Date Income	\$55,790.56	Monthly Income:	\$6,236.19
Year-to-Date Expenses:	\$59,229.04	Monthly Expenses:	\$4,859.90
Diff.	-\$ 3,438.48	Diff:	+\$1,376.29



FOOD BOX DONATIONS NEEDED!

Please bring items for our food box located in the chapel. Paper items, breakfast foods and canned meats are especially needed.

Welcome to St. James!

Our Church is an Anglican Parish which stands in the unbroken continuity of the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Our faith is based on the Word of God and on the seven Ecumenical Councils of the Undivided Church. All who have been baptized in the Name of the Trinity and confirmed or intend to be confirmed by a bishop in Apostolic Succession are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If unable to receive Communion, you may come forward to receive a blessing from the priest. To indicate your desire to receive a blessing, please fold your arms over your chest. May the peace of the Lord be always with you!

Anglican Province of America Diocese of the Eastern United States

The Most Rev. Walter H. Grundorf, Presiding and Diocesan Bishop

The Very Rev. Glenn Spencer, Dean

Rev. Fr. Kevin Sweeney, Vicar

St. James Parish Staff

Organist: Liana Harbour Lay Reader/Acolyte: Richard Hicks

Parish Vestry

Bob Fraser-Sr. Warden Ken Larson-Jr. Warden

Richard Hicks-Treasurer Martha Alliegro-Parish Secretary Rae Sinclair

Service Times: Sunday Holy Communion: 10:00 AM
Wed. 6:00PM Evening Prayer and Potluck Supper

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THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

DECEMBER 15, 2013



ANCIENT WORSHIP...TIMELESS FAITH



The Holy Eucharist

STAND On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry HYMNAL 10

KNEEL

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY PRAYER BOOK 67

Celebrant: ALMIGHTY God, unto 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 thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

INTROIT

Rejoice thee in the Lord, and again I say, rejoice ye ; let your moderation be known unto all men, the Lord is at hand: be careful for nothing, nor troubled; but in all things, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding: shall keep your hearts and minds. Glory be to the Father; and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. Rejoice thee (*etc.*)

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW PRAYER BOOK 69

Celebrant: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Kyrie eleison HYMNAL 719

Lord, have mercy upon us [3x].
Christ, have mercy upon us [3x].
Lord, have mercy upon us [3x].

The Lord be with You. *And with thy spirit*

THE COLLECT PRAYER BOOK 93

O LORD Jesus Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee; Grant that the ministers and

ALL SING O come, O come Emmanuel

HYMNAL 2

KNEEL

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

PRAYER BOOK 83

All: ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

THE BLESSING

PRAYER BOOK 84

Celebrant: THE Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

CHORAL AMEN

HYMNAL 741

STAND Come, thou long-expected Jesus

HYMNAL 1

stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end.

Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. *Amen.*

SIT THE EPISTLE: *I Corinthians iv. 1.* PRAYER BOOK 94

LET a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self. For I know nothing against myself; yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is the Lord. Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.

After the Epistle: *Thanks be to God.*

STAND SEQUENCE Venite, exultemus Domino HYMNAL 609

- 1 O COME let us sing unto the Lord;
*let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving:
*and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.
- 3 For the LORD is a great God;
*and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are all the corners of the earth;
*and the strength of the hills is his also.
- 5 The sea is his and he made it:
*and his hands prepared the dry land.
- 6 O come let us worship and fall down,
*and kneel before the LORD our Maker.
- 7 For he is the Lord our God;

*and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

8 O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness:

*let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

9 For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth:

*and with righteousness to judge the world, and the peoples
with his truth.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was In the beginning, Is now and ever shall be, world without
end. Amen.

The Lord be with You. *And with thy spirit.*

At the Announcement: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL: *St. Matthew xi. 2.*

PRAYER BOOK 94

NOW when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, and said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another? Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: the blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them. And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me. And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses. But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

After the Gospel: *Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

ALLELUIA

Alleluia. *Alleluia.* Stir up thy strength, O Lord: and come and help us. *Alleluia.*

THE NICENE CREED

PRAYER BOOK 71

All: I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation

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are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMNAL 722

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 FRACTION AND THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be alway with you. *And with thy spirit.*

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

PRAYER BOOK 82

All: WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Agnus Dei

HYMNAL 723

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Ecce Agnus Dei

Behold the Lamb of God, Behold Him that taketh away the sins of the world.

Lord I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof. But speak the word only and my soul shall be healed (3x)

true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service, and to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

THE INVITATION

PRAYER BOOK 75

Celebrant: YE who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

GENERAL CONFESSION

PRAYER BOOK 75

All: ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee in newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE ABSOLUTION

PRAYER BOOK 76

Celebrant: ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon ✠ and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

PRAYER BOOK 76

Celebrant: Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him.

COME unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *St. Matt. Xi. 28*

So God loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *St. John iii. 16.*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith. This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *I Tim. I. 15.*

Hear also what Saint John saith. If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the Propitiation for our sins. *I St. John ii. 1,2.*

SURSUM CORDA

PRAYER BOOK 76, 79

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant: IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus and benedictus qui venit

HYMNAL 711

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

THE EUCHARISTIC CANON

PRAYER BOOK 80-81

Celebrant: ALL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the