

Welcome to Saint James this weekend.

We welcome you to our live-streamed service.

*To prepare our hearts and minds for worship,
we seek to share quiet and silence before our services.*

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*The flowers on the Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
John J. Evans, Sr. & Rosa Reed Evans.*

Prelude

Psalm-Prelude Opus 32, No.2

Herbert Howells
(1892-1983)

Processional Hymn

Hymnal 535

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful Name;
the Name all-victorious of Jesus extol:
his kingdom is glorious; he rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
and still he is nigh: his presence we have.
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son.
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right:
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,
and honor and blessing, with angels above,
and thanks never-ceasing and infinite love.

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

Silence may be kept.

Most merciful God, we confess that 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. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Gloria

Hymnal S-280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus



Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 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, 7. you a - lone are the Most



High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the



glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Invitation to Children's Chapel

Liturgy of the Word

Acts 9:36-43

A reading from Acts of the Apostles.

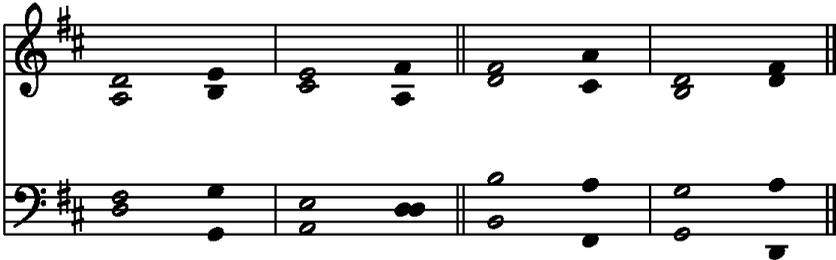
Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23 (sung by choir and congregation)

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



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- 1 The Lord is my **shepherd**; *
I shall not be in **want**.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green **pastures**, *
and leads me beside still **waters**.
- 3 He revives my **soul**, *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's **sake**.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I shall fear no **evil**; *
for you are with me; your rod and your staff they **comfort** me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who **trouble** me; *
you have anointed my head with oil and my cup is running **over**.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my **life**, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for **ever**.

Revelation 7:9-17

A reading from The Revelation to John.

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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Gospel Acclamation

Hymnal 205, vss. 1, 3

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| 1. Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!
Now is the triumph of our King!
To all the world glad news we bring:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! | 3. Praise we in songs of victory
that love, that life which cannot die,
and sing with hearts uplifted high:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! |
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John 10:22-30

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

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

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

Gospel Acclamation

Hymnal 205, vss. 4, 5

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| 4. Your Name we bless, O risen Lord,
and sing today with one accord
the life laid down, the life restored:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! | 5. To God the Father, God the Son,
to God the Spirit, always One,
we sing for life in us begun:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! |
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The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, [pause]
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

The Peace

Offertory Anthem

The Lord Is My Shepherd

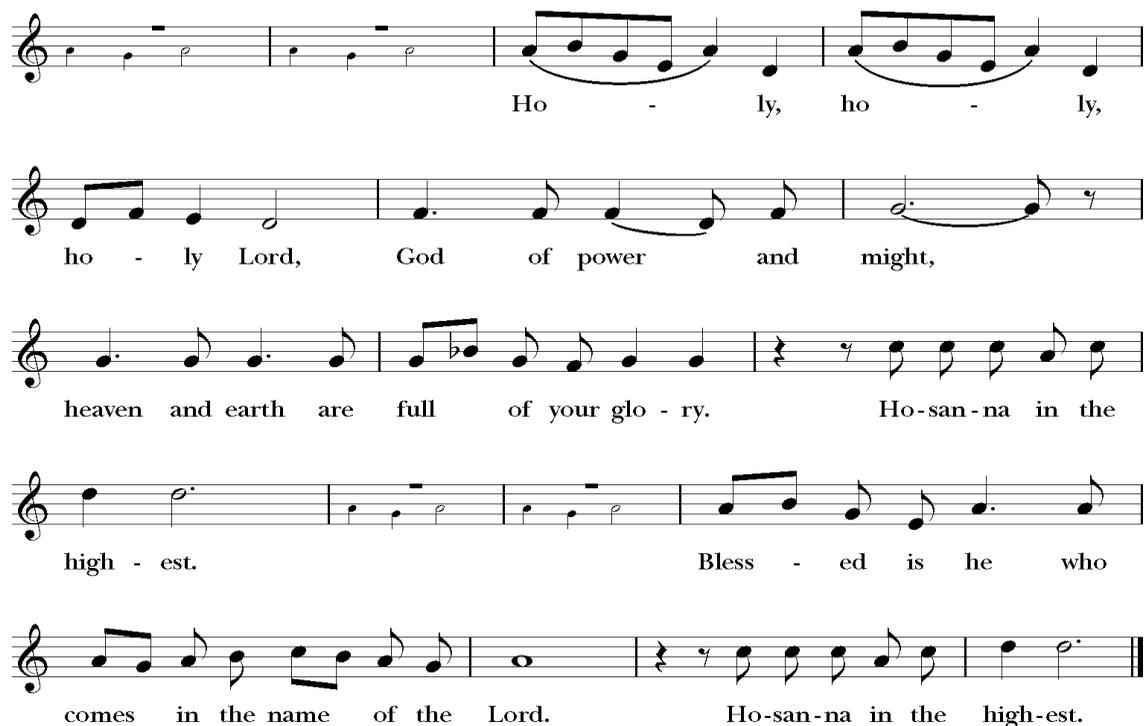
Thomas Matthews
(1915-1999)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul;
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil: For Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me
In the presence of mine enemies:
Thou anointest my head with oil;
My cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
All the days of my life:
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

The Celebrant proceeds, giving thanks to God for creation before inviting the people to sing:

Sanctus

Hymnal S-128



Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

The Celebrant continues until:

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues until:

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. **AMEN.**

Let us pray for the coming of God's kingdom in the words our Savior taught us.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Fraction & Invitation

A time of silence is kept.

Celebrant Jesus is the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

People Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

Agnus Dei

Hymnal S-164

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

The first line of musical notation is for the first part of the Agnus Dei. It consists of a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a bass clef staff. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us."

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

The second line of musical notation is for the second part of the Agnus Dei. It consists of a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a bass clef staff. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us."

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:
 give us your peace, give us your peace.

All Christians are welcome to make their Communion with bread and wine or by bread alone. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you prefer not to receive, we invite you to come forward for a blessing or to remain in your pew as you wish.

Communion Music

Prelude in C Major

Johann Sebastian Bach
 (1685-1750)

Aeolian Harp

Henry Cowell
 (1897-1965)

Communion Hymn

Hymnal 325

Let us break bread together on our knees;
let us break bread together on our knees;
when I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;
let us drink wine together on our knees;
when I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees;
let us praise God together on our knees;
when I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

The Post Communion Prayer

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament, you give substance to our hope. Bring us at the last to that pure life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Commissioning of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People We who are many are one body because we all share one bread and one cup.

The Blessing & Dismissal

May Christ draw you to humility and worship, and bring you to see God at work in us all. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

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

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Recessional Hymn

Hymnal 286

1. Who are these like stars appearing,
these, before God's throne who stand?
Each a golden crown is wearing; who
are all this glorious band? Alleluia! hark,
they sing, praising loud their heavenly
King.

2. Who are these of dazzling brightness,
these in God's own truth arrayed, clad in
robes of purest whiteness, robes whose
luster ne'er shall fade, ne'er be touched
by time's rude hand? Whence comes all
this glorious band?

3. These are they who have contended
for their Savior's honor long, wrestling
on till life was ended, following not the
sinful throng; these, who well the fight
sustained, triumph by the Lamb have
gained.

4. These are they whose hearts were
riven, sore with woe and anguish tried,
who in prayer full oft have striven with
the God they glorified; now, their
painful conflict o'er, God has bid them
weep no more.

5. These, like priests, have watched
and waited, offering up to Christ their
will, soul and body consecrated,
day and night they serve him still.
Now in God's most holy place,
blest they stand before his face.

Voluntary

Improvisation