



THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 14th, 2024

St. James' Episcopal Church
Danbury, CT

The Rev. Gina Gore, *Priest-in-Charge*

Lyn Meyers, Russ Griemsmann, *Wardens* Joanne F. Archibald, *Director of Music*

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

WELCOME

A Warm Welcome to All! We at James' are especially delighted, honored, and blessed to welcome visitors and newcomers here to this beloved church today. Assisted Listening Devices are available for the hearing impaired; please ask an usher for a device. Restrooms are located along the hallway that is through the exit at the front left corner of the sanctuary. Visitors in need of a pastoral call or interested in learning more about our parish and Church are invited to fill out a Welcome Card located in each pew, drop it with an usher, and you will receive a follow-up call. Please note that all baptized Christians of any denomination are most welcome to receive Communion in our church.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Please hold silence during the Prelude as we gather to worship.

Prelude Andante from 12 Voluntaries and Fugues by G.F. Händel

Welcome and Announcements

All stand as able

Opening Hymn #178 (*The Hymnal 1982*) *Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord*

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Collect for Purity

Celebrant

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.**

Gloria #S-280 (*Front of The Hymnal 1982*)

The Collect of the Day

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. **Amen.**

The Word of God

The people sit for the lessons, found on the service insert

The First Lesson

Acts 3:12-19

After the Reading the Reader says

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 4

Read antiphonally changing at the Lector begins with 1st verse and congregation follows.*

The Epistle

1 John 3:1-7

After the Reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand as able

Sequence Hymn #213 (*The Lift Every Voice & Sing Hymnal*) *Children of the Heavenly Father*

The Gospel

Luke 24:36b-48

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the Gospel

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Gina Gore

A period of silence is kept

All stand as able

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, 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.

The Prayers of the People **Form IV** (*The Book of Common Prayer*, p. 388)

Response: **Hear our prayer**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

All stand as able

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then all may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

All are seated

Offertory Anthem: He Lives! (LEVAS #213) by Alfred H. Ackley Chancel Choir

All stand as able

Presentation Hymn #199(*The Hymnal 1982*) *Come, ye faithful, raise the strain*

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A (*The Book of Common Prayer*, p. 361)

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 God thanks and praise**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus (*Used by permission One License #A-729836*)

Hymnal S-125

Holy, holy, holy Lord *Sanctus*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

The People may kneel as the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father...

(Celebrant continues...)

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption. O Father....

...

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.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing..

Celebrant and People:

The Lord's Prayer #264 (The Lift Every Voice & Sing Hymnal)

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

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.

All are invited to come forward for Communion. To receive a priestly blessing instead, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free hosts are available by request.

Communion Hymns: #306 (The Hymnal 1982) *Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest*
#193 (The Hymnal 1982) *That Easter day with joy was bright*

A invitation to Spiritual Communion for those worshipping online

Celebrant My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramental-

ly, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you, never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

If the Sacrament is to be shared with homebound parishioners, the following form is used:

Sending Forth of the 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, one cup.**

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen

Closing Hymn #208 (*The Hymnal 1982*) Stanzas 1,2,4,5 *The strife is o'er, the battle done*

The Dismissal

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

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

Postlude Allegro from Organ Concerto No. 13 by G.F.Händel/Arr. By Ellen Jane Lorenz

The Committal for Joyce Proteau

All are invited to the memorial garden for the Committal service

Carillonneur: David Katz

THE SUNDAY PAPER FOR APRIL 14, 2024
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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today:

HEALING MINISTRIES CONVERSATION

Please join the Pastoral Care Team in the lounge following both the 8 and 10 am services for a conversation about Healing Ministry. It's an opportunity to ask questions, share experiences, and consider the role of healing prayer in your life.

HOLY EUCHARIST WEDNESDAYS AT NOON

Please join us on Wednesdays in the Chapel for a celebration of the Holy Eucharist. All are welcome.

ALL COMMITTEE DAY

April will be an All Committee month, we will gather in the parish hall on Saturday, April 27th at 10AM. Come and check out what our various committees and missions are all about.

MARCH AND APRIL MISSION: LAUNDRY LOVE

Our goal is to hang 200 shirts on our clotheslines. Each shirt symbolizes a \$6.00 donation.

On March 13th Laundry Love served 85 people to the total of \$1105.00 Our goal is to support 1 week of Laundry Love. You can support by check payable to St. James(for Laundry Love), by cash, or by volunteering. For each \$6.00 a shirt will be hung on the line. Email Denise Holl at drholl@yahoo.com to inquire about volunteering.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED

Please sign up to host a Coffee Hour after our 8 or 10 services in the months ahead. New Coffee Hour sign up sheets have been created and can be found the Library where we are now hosting these opportunities for fellowship and conversation. Celebrate a

birthday, an anniversary or any other special occasion that you would like to share.

ST.JAMES' COOKBOOK DINNER

Please plan to join us on Saturday, April 20th for an evening to share the many creative recipes that were provided by our parishioners in our 2012 St. James' Episcopal Church Famil Recipes Cook Book that celebrated our 250 years of Food and Fellowship. With over 180 recipes there are plenty of options to choose from including appetizers, entrees, side dishes and desserts. If you do not already have copy of the Cook Book, copies are available from the church office with a requested \$5 donation. Starting at 5:30 in the Parish Hall, we hope you can join us.

WORLD LABYRINTH DAY

Join us on Saturday, May 4th from 10:30am—1pm in the parish hall and walk the Labyrinth as we participate in World Labyrinth Day and a Day for Peace.

THIS WEEK

For all zoom meetings, the link may be found on our calendar <https://www.saintjamesdanbury.org/calendar.html>

Sunday, April 14

8:00am Sunday Worship -Chapel
9:00am Pastoral Care Healing Conversation—Lounge
10:00am Sunday Worship -Church (Live-Stream and In-Person)
11:00a,m Pastoral Care Healing Conversation—Lounge
11:00am Bell Choir rehearsal—choir room

Monday, April 15

Tuesday, April 16

Wednesday, April 17

12:00pm Holy Eucharist—Chapel

Thursday, April 18

10:00am Dorothy Day Meal Preparation—Kitchen
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, April 19

12:00 Dorothy Day Meal Service

Saturday, April 20

ECCT Training—Meridan

In Case of an Emergency:

If there is a pastoral emergency please reach out to our Priest-In-Charge, Rev. Gina at 203-748-3561 ex 14 (office).

PARISH INTERCESSIONS

To add a name to our Sunday prayers, please contact the Parish Office at 203-748-3561 or welcome@saintjamesdanbury.org. Please be sure you ask permission from the individual before placing another's name on our public prayer list.)

- For all who are ill, in danger, or in sorrow, especially Takoda, Nikki, Bonnie, Paul, Irene, Linda, Helen, Donavan, Virginia, Richard, Nancy, Lisa, Jeanne, Bob, Wayne, Geraldine, Suzanne, Peter; for the people of the Middle East; and for victims of gun violence
- For mindfulness to the special intentions on our public Prayer Wall: for success, for love of God, and end to stealing and malice, for support of mothers, and love for everybody
- For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Jeff & Laura our bishops, for Gina our clergy & the lay leadership of St. James'
- The altar flowers are given in loving memory of Carolyn Morgado, Vivian Larmore and Arnold Ward given by Bob and Mike and in loving memory of Joyce Proteau given by her brother Harold McCarthy and family
- For those celebrating birthdays: Carole Johanssen, Vivien Cheeseman; Rev. Gina Gore, Kevin Gore
- For St. Peter's, Milford; Trinity, Milton; St. Peter's Grace, Monroe; Hospital chaplains; Stephen Ministers; pastoral care groups; ministries of healing; nurses; wellness programs; recovery ministries; The Anglican Church in Aotearoa,

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

April 14

8:00 AM

Lector: Gary Rogers

10:00AM

Ushers: Jim Beschle, George Bogart

Altar Server: Jana Draper

Lectors: Frank Giarratana, Dan Cox

Intercessor: Lyn Meyers

Financial Stewards: Carolyn Flynn, Jehad Sabbagh

Flower Arranger: Janet Brown

Flower Deliverer: Lyn Meyers

Audio Tech: Lew Westfall

April 21

8:00AM

Lector: Skip Clapp

10:00AM

Ushers: Jehad Sabbagh, Donna Tuck

Lectors: Alvin Tuck, Perry Downs

Altar Server: Pat Pearson

Intercessor: Deb Kaufmann

Financial Stewards: Ernie Harrington, Deb Kaufmann,

Lyn Meyers

Flower Arranger: Janet Brown

Flower Deliver: Jim Beschle

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Sunday Worship Schedule:

8am—Chapel Worship

10am - Church Worship with Choir

(Handicapped accessible and live-streamed)

Wednesdays: Holy Eucharist - Chapel

Our Chapel is not wheelchair accessible