

# ST. JAMES HOUSE OF PRAYER EPISCOPAL CHURCH

TAMPA, FL

August 3, 2025

*The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost*

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## *The Gathering of God's People*

***\*\*Bells ring announcing the beginning of worship\*\****

***Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent, for this is the House of the Lord.***

***Before worship, speak to the Lord.***

***During the service, let the Lord speak to you.***

## Prelude

### Opening Hymn

*O Praise Ye The Lord*

*Hymnal #432*

1 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;  
rejoice in his word, ye angels of light;  
ye heavens, adore him by whom ye were made,  
and worship before him, in brightness arrayed.

2 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him upon earth,  
in tuneful accord, all ye of new birth;  
praise him who hath brought you his grace from above,  
praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.

3 O praise ye the Lord! All things that give sound;  
each jubilant chord reecho around;  
loud organs, his glory forth tell in deep tone,  
and sweet harp, the story of what he hath done.

4 O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song  
to him be outpoured all ages along!  
For love in creation, for heaven restored,  
for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!

### Opening Acclamation

**BCP #355**

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

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### The Collect for Purity (*in unison*)

**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.**

**Canticle of Praise:** *Gloria in Excelsis (sung)* Hymnal S-280 (Powell)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**The Liturgy of the Word**

**The First Reading**

**Hosea 11:1-11**

When Israel was a child, I loved him,  
and out of Egypt I called my son.

The more I called them,  
the more they went from me;  
they kept sacrificing to the Baals,  
and offering incense to idols.

Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk,  
I took them up in my arms;  
but they did not know that I healed them.  
I led them with cords of human kindness,  
with bands of love.  
I was to them like those  
who lift infants to their cheeks.  
I bent down to them and fed them.  
They shall return to the land of Egypt,  
and Assyria shall be their king,  
because they have refused to return to me.  
The sword rages in their cities,  
it consumes their oracle-priests,  
and devours because of their schemes.  
My people are bent on turning away from me.  
To the Most High they call,  
but he does not raise them up at all.  
How can I give you up, Ephraim?  
How can I hand you over, O Israel?  
How can I make you like Admah?  
How can I treat you like Zeboiim?  
My heart recoils within me;  
my compassion grows warm and tender.  
I will not execute my fierce anger;  
I will not again destroy Ephraim;  
for I am God and no mortal,  
the Holy One in your midst,  
and I will not come in wrath.  
They shall go after the LORD,  
who roars like a lion;  
when he roars,  
his children shall come trembling from the west.  
They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt,

and like doves from the land of Assyria;  
and I will return them to their homes, says the LORD.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 107:1-9, 43**

***Refrain: Give thanks to the Lord, whose mercy endures for ever.***

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, \*  
and his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim \*  
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.
- 3 He gathered them out of the lands; \*  
from the east and from the west,  
from the north and from the south.
- 4 Some wandered in desert wastes; \*  
they found no way to a city where they might dwell.
- 5 They were hungry and thirsty; \*  
their spirits languished within them.
- 6 Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, \*  
and he delivered them from their distress.
- 7 He put their feet on a straight path \*  
to go to a city where they might dwell.
- 8 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy \*  
and the wonders he does for his children.
- 9 For he satisfies the thirsty \*  
and fills the hungry with good things.
- 43 Whoever is wise will ponder these things, \*  
and consider well the mercies of the LORD.

## The Second Reading

## Colossians 3:1-11

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things-- anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

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

**Sequence Hymn** *Before Thy Throne, O God We Kneel* Hymnal #574

1 Before thy throne, O God, we kneel:  
give us a conscience quick to feel,  
a ready mind to understand  
the meaning of thy chastening hand;  
whate'er the pain and shame may be,  
bring us, O Father, nearer thee.

2 Search out our hearts and make us true;  
help us to give to all their due.  
From love of pleasure, lust of gold,  
from sins which make the heart grow cold,  
wean us and train us with thy rod;  
teach us to know our faults, O God.

3 For sins of heedless word and deed,  
for pride ambitious to succeed,  
for crafty trade and subtle snare  
to catch the simple unaware,  
for lives bereft of purpose high,  
forgive, forgive, O Lord, we cry.

4 Let the fierce fires which burn and try,  
our inmost spirits purify:  
consume the ill; purge out the shame;  
O God, be with us in the flame;  
a newborn people may we rise,  
more pure, more true, more nobly wise.

## **The Holy Gospel**

**Luke 12:13-21**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my

grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

*To end, the Deacon says*      The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*                              **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Ed Henley

*After the Sermon, we take a few moments to reflect on God's word to us.*

**The Nicene Creed** (*in unison*)

**BCP, 358**

**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**

*At the end of each petition, the Deacon says*  
*The people respond*  
*At the close of the Prayers, the People respond*

*Let us pray to the Lord:*  
***Lord, have mercy.***  
**Amen**

### **The Confession of Sin and Absolution** **BCP, 360**

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Deacon and People*

**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.**

*Priest*

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.

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you. Alleluia!**

*The Celebrant says a sentence from Scripture to begin the Offertory.*

**Offertory Anthem** *Standin' In The Need Of Prayer*  
*SJHOP Choir*

**Presentation Hymn** *Hymnal #380 (v.3)*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**The Great Thanksgiving (Rite II, Eucharistic Prayer A)** **BCP, 361**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

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

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

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

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

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

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

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*

**Hymnal S-130**

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

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

*People and Celebrant*

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept. Then the Celebrant says*

*Celebrant* Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia**

**Agnus Dei** (*sung*)

*Hymnal S-164*

**Jesus, Lamb of God: Have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins: Have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world: Give us your peace.**

*The Celebrant invites the People to Communion, in these or similar words*

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.

**A Prayer of Spiritual Communion for those unable to worship with us in person**

*(if you are watching the live stream, please feel free to say this prayer during the sharing of Communion)*

***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 sacramentally, 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.***

*(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)*

## **Communion Hymns**

*Come Down, O Love Divine*

*Hymnal #516*

1 Come down, O Love divine,  
seek thou this soul of mine,  
and visit it with thine own ardor glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near,  
within my heart appear,  
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

2 O let it freely burn,  
till earthly passions turn  
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
and let thy glorious light

shine ever on my sight,  
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

3 And so the yearning strong,  
with which the soul will long,  
shall far outpass the power of human telling;  
for none can guess its grace,  
till Love create a place  
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

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*One Bread, One Body*

*LEVAS #151*

*Refrain: One bread, one body, one Lord of all,  
one cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth,  
We are one body in this one Lord.*

- 1 Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. *(Refrain)*
- 2 Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. *(Refrain)*
- 3 Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all.  
*(Refrain)*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says* Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with  
spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and  
courage  
to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;**

**through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Blessing (pronounced by the Priest; the People respond, Amen.)*

***All are seated for announcements***

**THE SENDING OUT OF THE LORD'S PEOPLE**

**Closing Hymn**      *Christ Is The World's True Light*      *Hymnal #542*

1 Christ is the world's true Light, Its Captain of salvation,  
The Daystar clear and bright of every race and nation;  
New life, new hope awakes, for all who own his sway:  
Freedom her bondage breaks, and night is turned to day.

2 In Christ all races meet, their ancient feuds forgetting,  
The whole round world complete, from sunrise to its setting;  
When Christ is throned as Lord all shall forsake their fear,  
To ploughshare beat the sword to pruninghook and spear.

3 One Lord, in one great Name unite us all who own thee;  
Cast out our pride and shame that hinder to enthrone thee;  
The world has waited long, has travailed long in pain;  
To heal its ancient wrong, come Prince of Peace, reign.

## **The Dismissal**

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

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

**Remember In Your Prayers** for healing, guidance, comfort, or strength

Camden Agboglo

Denise Andretta

Margaret Booth

Jacquelyn Brown Reeder

Gina Norris

Eleanor Solomon

Richard Grinnell

Morris Kennedy

Errol Kirk

Denise Morris

Joan Dublin Paul

Lejoan Franklin

Lydia Williams

Olivia Whittiker

Arsenta Sibilly

Joe Buczek

Delores Thomas

Stella Jacob

Deborah Blanchett

Virginia McKinney

Anna Valdes

Yvonne Thomas

Victor Ferguson

Sharon Streater

Carol Moorehead

Michael Carter

Clare Kennedy

Dorothy Batson

Ruby Lockhart

Ernest Reese

Warren Nunn

Roderick James

Denise Moore Contreras

Jennifer Burke

Adrian Adams

Gene Samuel

### **Give thanks for...**

**Birthdays this week:** Frankie Dean (8/4), Rebecca Fisher (8/6)

**Anniversaries:** None this week

### **SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

**Celebrant and Preacher**

**Deacon**

**Musicians**

**Lectors**

**Usher**

**Camera Operator**

The Rev. Ed Henley

The Rev. Dr. Lynn Grinnell

Dr. Chris Combie, Julius James and SJHOP Choir

Barbara Scotland and Deirdre Joseph

Pat Edwards

Karla Edwards



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