

# THE PROPER & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST • JULY 30, 2023 9:30AM

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**    *The King of Love My Shepherd is (v.1-3, 6)*    **H 645**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE OLD TESTAMENT

**GENESIS 29:15-28**

Laban said to Jacob, “Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?” Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah’s eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, “I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel.” Laban said, “It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me.” So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

Then Jacob said to Laban, “Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed.” So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.)

When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, “What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?” Laban said, “This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years.” Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**THE PSALM**

**PSALM 105:1-11, 45b**

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; \*  
**make known his deeds among the peoples.**
- 2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, \*  
**and speak of all his marvelous works.**
- 3 Glory in his holy Name; \*  
**let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.**
- 4 Search for the LORD and his strength; \*  
**continually seek his face.**
- 5 Remember the marvels he has done, \*  
**his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,**
- 6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, \*  
**O children of Jacob his chosen.**
- 7 He is the LORD our God; \*  
**his judgments prevail in all the world.**
- 8 He has always been mindful of his covenant, \*  
**the promise he made for a thousand generations:**
- 9 The covenant he made with Abraham, \*  
**the oath that he swore to Isaac,**
- 10 Which he established as a statute for Jacob, \*

**an everlasting covenant for Israel,**

11 Saying, "To you will I give the land of Canaan \*  
**to be your allotted inheritance."**

45b Hallelujah!

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.  
Amen.*

**THE EPISTLE**

**ROMANS 8:26-39**

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;  
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him

who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN    ***“Jesus, Name Above All Names” (2x)***

**Jesus, name above all names,  
beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.  
Emmanuel, God is with us,  
blessed Redeemer, living Word.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

**MATTHEW 13:31-33, 44-52**

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

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all

that he had and bought it.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord.*

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

GRADUAL HYMN REPEAT “*Jesus, Name Above All Names*” (2x)

**Jesus, name above all names,  
beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.  
Emmanuel, God is with us,  
blessed Redeemer, living Word.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM III

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**Intercessor:** Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**People:** That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**People:** That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**People:** That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**People: That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**People: That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest...

**People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially those on our parish prayer list...

*Silence*

OFFERTORY HYMN     ***“I Sing Praises to His Name”***

*Choir*

**I sing praises to His Name, Oh Lord  
Praises to His Name, Oh Lord  
For His Name is great and greatly to be praised**

**I give glory to His Name, Oh Lord  
Glory to His Name, Oh Lord  
For His Name is great and greatly to be praised  
For His Name is great and greatly to be praised**

COMMUNION HYMN     ***“The Sweetest Name of All”***

**Jesus, You're the sweetest name of all.  
Jesus, You always hear me when I call.  
Oh, Jesus, You pick me up each time I fall,**

*(continued...)*

*Refrain: You're the sweetest, the sweetest name of all.*

**Jesus, how I love to praise Your name.**

**Jesus, You're still the first, the last, the same.**

**Oh, Jesus, You died and took away my shame, *Refrain***

**Jesus, You're the soon and coming King.**

**Jesus, we need the love that You can bring.**

**Oh, Jesus, we lift our voices up and sing, *Refrain***

RECESSIONAL HYMN

*Now Thank We All our God* H 397



## NOTICES

Sisters and brothers in Christ,

We pray that you are well on this the ninth Sunday after Pentecost.

### **Father Errol Harvey—Priest-in-Residence**

Please feel free to reach him at (917) 653-8839 for any inquiries and pastoral emergencies.

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

A festive and very special reception will be held in their honor following the 9:30 a.m. Sunday service on August 13th, 2023. Let us remember this date, and be present to show them our warm affection and deep appreciation for their work among us.

*Everyone is invited to attend this reception on August 13th. In order to help those preparing the menu for the event, if you are attending, please sign up; the sign-up list is at the entrance of the sanctuary. Please RSVP no later than July 30th. Thank you! Joy Williams*

### **HURRICANE SEASON HAS BEGUN**

The 2023 Atlantic hurricane season officially began on June 1st and will end on November 30th. Please stay up to date and prepared.



### **NO BUNCO IN JULY**

Attention: There will be no Bunco night in the month of July. We will resume in August.

### **COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS**

Those who have signed up to volunteer as host for coffee hours, please contact the Office for any inquiries on supplies and procedures.

### **PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME BADGES**

If you need a name badge, please see Diane Kinishi or email her at [dianeandgene@hotmail.com](mailto:dianeandgene@hotmail.com)



## **MONTHLY VESTRY MEETINGS**

Vestry meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00pm. Anyone who has a concern and would like to bring it to the Vestry, please contact the Office for Zoom meeting information.

## **UPCOMING BAPTISMS**

Please note the sacrament of Holy Baptism will be held semi-annually on Easter Saturday and All Saints' Sunday. Baptismal application forms are available from the Office and in the Sanctuary.

**ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: Following the tragedy at St. Stephen's Episcopal in Alabama, the Diocese encourages churches to remain vigilant in the safety and security of its congregants during worship services. St. James will continue to keep the outer doors locked once the service has begun. In the case of late arrivals, an usher/greeter will be present to open the doors for you.**

## **ST. JAMES CHILDCARE PROGRAM**

Please continue to keep this initiative in your prayers.

## **DAILY DEVOTIONALS**

Forward Movement's Day-by-Day devotionals for AUG-SEPT-OCT are available on Sundays and from the Church Office during the week.

*Please stay safe and keep the faith.*



*Please Pray for...*

Our Anglican Community:

**The Anglican Church of the Central American Region**

Those in our Parish:

**Mary Rodriguez, Pete Rodriguez, Stan Allen Jr., Sarah Allen, Nicholas and Jonathan Saunders, Heather and Ed Reid, Riley Ruppert-Richendollar, Pat Miller, Stephanie and Jackson Gomez, Jacky and James Lowe, Maud Fernander, Jan Pushkar, Rudy Ford, Karron Bacchus, Ben Martinez, Donna Tolbert, Loretta Steward, Michael Fowler, Janet Sanford, Rick Sanford, Paula Simmons, Marie Henderson-Williams, Melanie Kenney, Dan Schwarz, Rita Mahoney, Wendy Pellew, Sofia Maduro, Mike and Carla Rossano, Anna and Thomas Carter, Mary Jo Mazzetta, Sonia Fiedrick, Lori Jasper, Alan Demascus, Rylma Sanchez-Cifuentes, Helen Potter, Kathy Sands Manuel McDuffie, Paul Crosta, Deb Terzino, Pat Ferdinand, Michael Ryan, Joshua Bynoe, Foti & Christina Stavros, Matthew Smith, David Groome, Luis Galvis, Adrian Bukur, Maximus Pillai, Rebecca, Chris & Leilani Gamboa**

*We pray for the members of our parish family who are celebrating their birthday this week:*

**Linda Koontz, Rev. Errol Harvey**

**We continue to pray for the homeless, the people of Madagascar, particularly the women and children, for peace in Ukraine, and for the victims of gun violence and their families.**

**We continue to pray for continued protection and healing for all those dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic.**

**Prayer of Protection from Hurricanes**

Almighty God, Creator and Redeemer of humankind, grant to us your supplicant people, protection against the ravages of hurricanes, floods, and other calamities; that in tranquility of weather we may rejoice in the comfort that we ever desire and may always make right use of Your great goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## **Lay Eucharistic Visitor Commissioning**

**Priest:** Please come forward those who are commended by the Bishop for this ministry and will be visiting this week. 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.

***Congregation: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.***

### **MEETINGS & EVENTS**

**Sunday, July 30th**

**Thursday, August 3rd**

Bible Study via Zoom - 7:00pm

**Sunday, August 13th**

Bliss Farewell Reception



Amanda Groome, our Administrative Assistant, is available in our Parish Office Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and via Office Email:

**office@stjameshollywood.com**  
**stjameshollywood@gmail.com**

*Please note, all bulletin announcements and prayer requests must be received in the Parish Office by **Thursday at 2:00 p.m.** in order to be published in the following Sunday's bulletin.*

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of St. James in-the-Hills Episcopal Church is to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and to invite all of God's diverse community into a personal relationship with our Lord.

*Stay up to date with us on our Parish Website*

**stjameshollywood.com**

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