

# THE PROPER & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST • SEPTEMBER 24, 2023 9:30AM

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

*My faith looks up to thee* H 691

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; 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**

**Exodus 16:2-15**

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

Then the LORD said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.” So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, “In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?” And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the

complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD.”

Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.’” And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**THE PSALM**

**Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45**

- 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.**
- 37 He led out his people with silver and gold; \*  
**in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.**
- 38 Egypt was glad of their going, \*  
**because they were afraid of them.**
- 39 He spread out a cloud for a covering \*  
**and a fire to give light in the night season.**
- 40 They asked, and quails appeared, \*  
**and he satisfied them with bread from heaven.**
- 41 He opened the rock, and water flowed, \*  
**so the river ran in the dry places.**
- 42 For God remembered his holy word \*  
**and Abraham his servant.**
- 43 So he led forth his people with gladness, \*  
**his chosen with shouts of joy.**
- 44 He gave his people the lands of the nations, \*  
**and they took the fruit of others' toil,**
- 45 That they might keep his statutes \*  
**and observe his laws.**  
**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

## Philippians 1:21-30

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ

Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well-- since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN

***“Something Beautiful” (2x)***

**Something beautiful, something good;**

**All my confusion He understood.**

**All I had to offer Him**

**Was brokenness and strife,**

**But He made something beautiful of my life.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

**Matthew 20:1-16**

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

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you

standing here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord.*

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

GRADUAL HYMN

**“Awesome God” (2x)**

**Our God is an awesome God,  
He reigns from heaven above  
with wisdom, pow'r and love,  
Our God is an awesome God.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM III

BCP 387

**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

***“Be Still & Know”***

**Be still and know that I am God. (3x)**

**I am the Lord that healeth thee. (3x)**

**In Thee, O Lord, I put my trust. (3x)**

COMMUNION HYMNS

***“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,**

*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      ***“This is the Day”***

**This is the day, this is the day  
that the Lord hath made, that the Lord hath made,  
we will rejoice, we will rejoice  
and be glad in it, and be glad in it;  
This is the day that the Lord hath made,  
we will rejoice and be glad in it;  
This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made.**



*We thank you and love you  
Father Harvey!*

## NOTICES

Sisters and brothers in Christ,

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

*Please join us after the service in Feaster Hall for Coffee Hour in honor of Father Harvey!*

### **Fr. Harvey's Farewell**

We thank Father Harvey for his service and pastoral care here at St. James over the past year as we worship with him one last time today. Please celebrate with us following the service in Feaster Hall for a special Fellowship Hour dedicated to him!



### **BUNCO**

**This Saturday, September 30th** Doors open at 4pm and game starts at 4:30pm. Bunco is a very easy game with no skills required! It's a great way to mingle and test your luck around the room! Adults to play are \$5 and children ages 5-10 are \$3. Volunteers may elect themselves to host different Bunco nights if they wish.

### **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.



### **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. For any Sunday's not chosen by volunteers, simply the **coffee station only** will be provided.

### **STREAMING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are in need of assistance with our media streaming. If you are interested in being a part of our Media Ministry, please reach out to Joseph Muñoz for training. Also, thanks to Elisha and Laurence Clarke for their dedication to the St. James Media Ministry, keeping our parishioners connected online.



## **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.

**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 Church of Ireland**

Those in our Parish:

**Pete Rodriguez, Stan Allen Jr., Sarah Allen, Nicholas and Jonathan Saunders, Heather and Ed Reid, Riley Ruppert-Richendollar, Pat Miller, Maud Fernander, Jan Pushkar, Karron Bacchus, Ben Martinez, Donna Tolbert, Loretta Steward, Michael Fowler, Paula Simmons, Marie Henderson-Williams, Melanie Kenney, 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, Paul Crosta, Deb Terzino, Pat Ferdinand, Michael Ryan, Bryson Bynoe, Matthew Smith, Luis Galvis, Adrian Bukur, Rebecca, Chris, Leilani Gamboa, Sherry Reitz, Silvia Flores, Suzi and Rudy Ford, Joseph Muñoz, Sr., Brian Becker, Debra Beland, Holly Hoyle**

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

**Juliette Muñoz, Josiah Sutherland, Kay Fung, Olivia Miller**

**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.

### **Prayer for our Parish Search Committee**

**Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful priest, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; 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, September 24th**

*Father Harvey's Final Service*

**Monday, September 25th**

*Funeral Service for Mary Rodriguez - 11:00 a.m.*

**Thursday, September 28th**

Bible Study via Zoom - 7:00 p.m.

**Saturday, September 30th**

Bunco Night - Feaster Hall - 4:00 p.m.



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**  
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*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.

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**stjameshollywood.com**

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