

# THE PROPER & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST • OCTOBER 8, 2023 9:30AM

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

*We gather together* H 433

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**THE OLD TESTAMENT**

**Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20**

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die." Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin."

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM

## Psalm 19

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, \*  
**and the firmament shows his handiwork.**
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, \*  
**and one night imparts knowledge to another.**
- 3 Although they have no words or language, \*  
**and their voices are not heard,**
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*  
**and their message to the ends of the world.**
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
**it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;**  
**it rejoices like a champion to run its course.**
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens  
and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
**nothing is hidden from its burning heat.**
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect  
and revives the soul; \*  
**the testimony of the LORD is sure**  
**and gives wisdom to the innocent.**
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just  
and rejoice the heart; \*  
**the commandment of the LORD is clear**  
**and gives light to the eyes.**
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean  
and endures for ever; \*

**the judgments of the LORD are true  
and righteous altogether.**

10 More to be desired are they than gold,  
more than much fine gold, \*  
**sweeter far than honey,  
than honey in the comb.**

11 By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
**and in keeping them there is great reward.**

12 Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
**cleanse me from my secret faults.**

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
let them not get dominion over me; \*  
**then shall I be whole and sound,  
and innocent of a great offense.**

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my  
heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
**O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

*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 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal;

but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN

***“Open Our Eyes” (2x)***

**Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,  
to reach out and touch Him,  
and say that we love Him.**

**Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen,  
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

**Matthew 21:33-46**

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

Jesus said, “Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.”

Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures:

‘The stone that the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone;  
this was the Lord's doing,  
and it is amazing in our eyes'?

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord.*

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

GRADUAL HYMN ***"O How He Loves You and Me"***

**O how He loves you and me.**

**O how He loves you and me;**

**He gave His life, what more could He give:**

**O how He loves you, O, how He loves me,**

**O how He loves you and me!**

**Jesus to Calvary did go,**

**His love for mankind to show,**

**What He did there brought hope from despair:**

**O how He loves you, O, how He loves me,**

**O how He loves you and me!**

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

***“Softly and Tenderly”***

**Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,**

**Calling for you and for me;**

**Patient and loving, He’s waiting and watching,**

**Watching for you and for me.**

*Refrain: Come home, come home,*

*Ye who are weary, come home;*

Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, Calling, “O sinner, come home!”

**Why should we linger when Jesus is pleading,**

**Pleading for you and for me?**

**Why should we wait, then, and heed not His mercies,**

**Mercies for you and for me? *Refrain***

**O for the wonderful love He has promised,**

**Promised for you and for me;**

**Though we have sinned He has mercy and pardon,**

**Pardon for you and for me. *Refrain***

COMMUNION HYMNS    *“Have Thine Own Way, Lord!”*

**Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Thou art the potter, I am the clay!  
Mold me and make me after Thy will,  
While I am waiting, yielded and still.**

**Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Search me and try me, Master, today!  
Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now,  
As in Thy presence humbly I bow.**

**Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Wounded and weary, help me, I pray!  
Power all power surely is Thine!  
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!**

**Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Hold o’er my being absolute sway!  
Full with Thy Spirit ‘til all shall see  
Christ only, always, living in me! Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN    *“Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine”*

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.**  
*Refrain: This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long. (2x)*  
**Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
Angels descending bring from above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. Refrain**  
**Perfect submission, all is at rest,  
I in my Savior am happy and blessed;  
Watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love. Refrain**

## NOTICES

Sisters and brothers in Christ,

We pray that you are well on this the nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost. This morning we welcome and thank Rev. Wilifred Allen-Faiella for leading us in worship!

*Please join us after the service in Feaster Hall for Coffee Hour hosted by Clovia, Nicki, Joy and Joan! We thank them for their kindness!*

### **TRUNK-OR-TREAT**

Please invite your friends and loved ones to **Trunk-or-Treat** on **Saturday, October 28th from 5 - 7 PM.** Set-up time begins at 4:30pm in the WEST Parking Lot. If you have any questions, please contact Liz Miller (954) 688-6501.



### **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 Sundays 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.

### **FROM THE OFFICE**

Please keep Harriet Willis-Graham, our Administrator in training, in your prayers as she prepares for her surgery this week on Tuesday, October 10th and will be in recovery for about six weeks.



## **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 NOV-DEC-JAN are available from the Church Office during the week.

*Please stay safe and keep the faith.*



*Please Pray for...*

Our Anglican Community:

**The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East**

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, and Leilani Gamboa, Sherry Reitz, Silvia Flores, Suzi and Rudy Ford, Joseph Muñoz, Sr., Brian Becker, Debra Beland, Holly Hoyle, Lucy Emmanuel, Harriet Willis-Graham**

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

**Wayne Evans, Rodney Paicely**

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

**Lynn & Bill Bliss, Rosemary & William Saunders,  
Shawn & Phil Yanan**

**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, October 8th**

*Fellowship Hour*

**Tuesday, October 10th**

Vestry Meeting via Zoom - 7:00 p.m.

**Sunday, October 15th**

*St. James' 62nd Parish Anniversary*

**Saturday, October 28th**

Trunk-or-Treat



Amanda Groome, and Harriet Willis-Graham, our Administrative Assistants, are 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.

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**stjameshollywood.com**

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