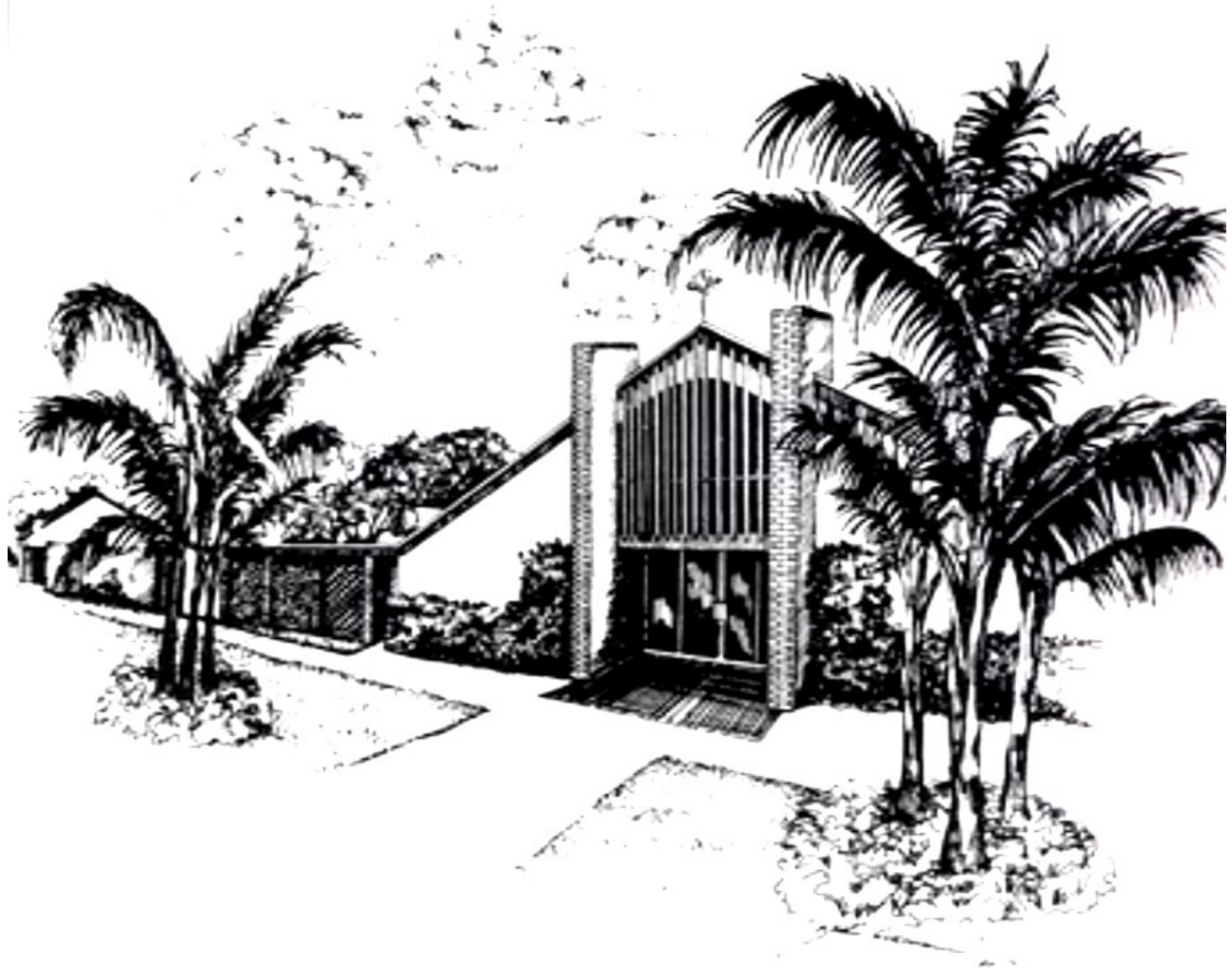




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## **TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

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SUNDAY SERVICE 9:30AM

AUGUST 17TH, 2025

**HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II - 9:30 A.M.**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

*Come, thou almighty King* **Hymnal 365**

**The Word of God**

**OPENING SENTENCE AND PRAYER**

**BCP 355**

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

**People:** And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

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.*

**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.**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

*Priest:* Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE OLD TESTAMENT

## JEREMIAH 23:23-29

*A Reading from the prophet Jeremiah.*

Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back-- those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM

## PSALM 82

- 1 God takes his stand in the council of heaven; \*  
**he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:**
- 2 "How long will you judge unjustly, \*  
**and show favor to the wicked?**
- 3 Save the weak and the orphan; \*  
**defend the humble and needy;**
- 4 Rescue the weak and the poor; \*  
**deliver them from the power of the wicked.**
- 5 They do not know, neither do they understand;  
they go about in darkness; \*  
**all the foundations of the earth are shaken.**
- 6 Now I say to you, 'You are gods, \*  
**and all of you children of the Most High;**
- 7 Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, \*  
**and fall like any prince.'**
- 8 Arise, O God, and rule the earth, \*  
**for you shall take all nations for your own.**

*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.*

*A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.*

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-- who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN

*Have Thine Own Way, Lord* **Lift Every Voice & Sing II 145**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 12:49-56

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

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they

will be divided:

father against son  
and son against father,  
mother against daughter  
and daughter against mother,  
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law  
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

***The Gospel of the Lord.***

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**THE CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**THE SERMON**

***Rev. David Potter***

*Silence is kept.*

**THE NICENE CREED**

**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.**

*(continued...)*

**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.**

#### **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; especially our Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe, and our Bishop Peter Eaton, and our supply priest Fr. David;

**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*

#### **CONCLUDING PRAYER**

*Priest:* God of restless fire, and urgent river's flow: unsettle the false peace which hides our

divisions; unfold our hearts to sense your presence; unloose your kingdom and make us one in Jesus Christ, the first of many brothers and sisters. Amen.

## CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 359

*Priest:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**ALL:** 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.

**People:** Amen.

## THE PEACE

BCP 360

*Priest:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And also with you.

## WELCOME OF VISITORS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

## NOTICES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## OFFERTORY HYMN

*Be Still & Know* **Choir**

## PRESENTATION OF ALMS & OBLATIONS

*Priest:* All things come of Thee, O Lord,

**People:** And of Thine own have we given Thee.

## HOLY COMMUNION

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

*Priest:* Lift up your hearts.

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

*Priest:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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:

SANCTUS

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.**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**



And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with James and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 say,

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

**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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.**

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

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

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

BCP 364

*Priest:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People:** Therefore let us keep the feast.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

**All: have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

**All: have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

**All: grant us peace.**

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Priest:* 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.

### COMMUNION HYMN

*Spirit of the Living God* **Lift Every Voice & Sing II 115**

### A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION SAID BY THOSE NOT PRESENT AT HOLY COMMUNION

*Priest:* In union, O Lord, with the faithful of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all the love of our souls. Let nothing ever separate you from us. May we live in you, and may you live in us, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

*Priest:* Let us pray.

**ALL: 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.**

### LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR COMMISSIONING

*(if the licensed LEVs are bringing communion to shut-ins, the following is said)*

*Priest:* 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.**

## **THE BLESSING**

*Priest:* The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**People: Amen.**

## **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise* **Hymnal 423**

## **DISMISSAL**

*Priest:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**



## **NOTICES**

Sisters and brothers in Christ,

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

*Join us for Fellowship Hour in Feaster Hall provided by the Clarke Family.  
We thank them for their kindness!*

**We thank Rev. David Potter for leading us in worship this morning!**



### **RED CROSS AED TRAINING COURSE**

Those that have volunteered to participate in the AED training course, please confirm your availability for Saturday, August 30 at 9am-12:30pm, 15 minute break included. Nine participants have been booked, so if not available, we will need substitutes. All nine must be present.

### **HURRICANE SEASON BEGINS**

The 2025 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, and to collect the keys if needed. For any Sundays not chosen by volunteers, simply the coffee station only will be provided by the Church. Please check out the sign-up sheet on the blue bulletin board located outside the Parish Office for upcoming dates.

### **DAILY DEVOTIONALS**

Forward Movement's Day-by-Day devotionals for AUG-SEPT-OCT are available in the sanctuary and from the Church Office during the week. Please take a copy to share with friends or loved ones.

### **FLOWER CHART**

A flower chart for 2025 has been posted in the Little Angels' Room for those who wish to provide the altar flowers for a particular Sunday Worship Service. Altar flowers may be dedicated to loved ones and for special dates. Please contact the Office for florist recommendations.

**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.

### **Are you interested in serving on our Vestry?**

Seeking faithful and dedicated members to serve on the Vestry: The Vestry is the elected leadership responsible for the spiritual well-being and temporal affairs of the Parish and contributes to the Church's Mission and Growth.

If you feel called to contribute time, talent, and commitment, you are invited to learn more about the responsibilities and rewards from this ministry.

For more information or to express interest, please contact the Parish Administrator, Amanda Groome, with contact information.

Blessings,  
Claudette Crowder-Fowler  
Senior Warden



*The altar flowers for today are provided by  
The Clarke Family in honor of Laureen and  
Elisha's anniversary of marriage.*

*Please Pray for...*

Our Anglican Community:  
**The Scottish Episcopal Church**

Those in our Parish:

**Jan Pushkar, Loretta Steward, Paul Crosta, Sarah Allen, Karron Bacchus, Sonia Fiederick, Riley Rupert-Richendollar, Alan Demascus, Bisan Owda, Julia Smith, Cheryl-Ann Edward, Arthur Bilotti, Sandra Hoyle, Brantley Williams, Fay James, Donnie Coxe, Andrea Holmes, Jeff Slotnick, Douglas Saunders, Frank Bautista, Pat Miller, Elisha Clarke III.**



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

**Betty Cay Stanford, Elizabeth Miller**

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

**Janet & Rick Sanford, Laureen & Elisha Clarke III**

**We pray for the protection of all innocent lives at risk across the Middle East, for peace in Israel and Palestine, for peace in Ukraine, for all those affected by gun violence, for the victims and those still missing from the flash flooding in central Texas, and 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.**



**MEETINGS & EVENTS**

**Sunday, August 17th**

Fellowship Hour

**Saturday, August 23rd**

BUNCO Night in Feaster Hall - 4:00p.m.

**Saturday, August 30th**

Red Cross AED Training - 9:00a.m. - 12:30p.m.

**Monday, September 1st**

*Labor Day - Office Closed*



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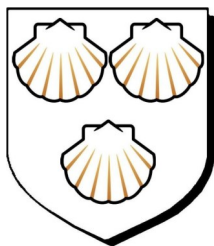
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**MISSION STATEMENT**

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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