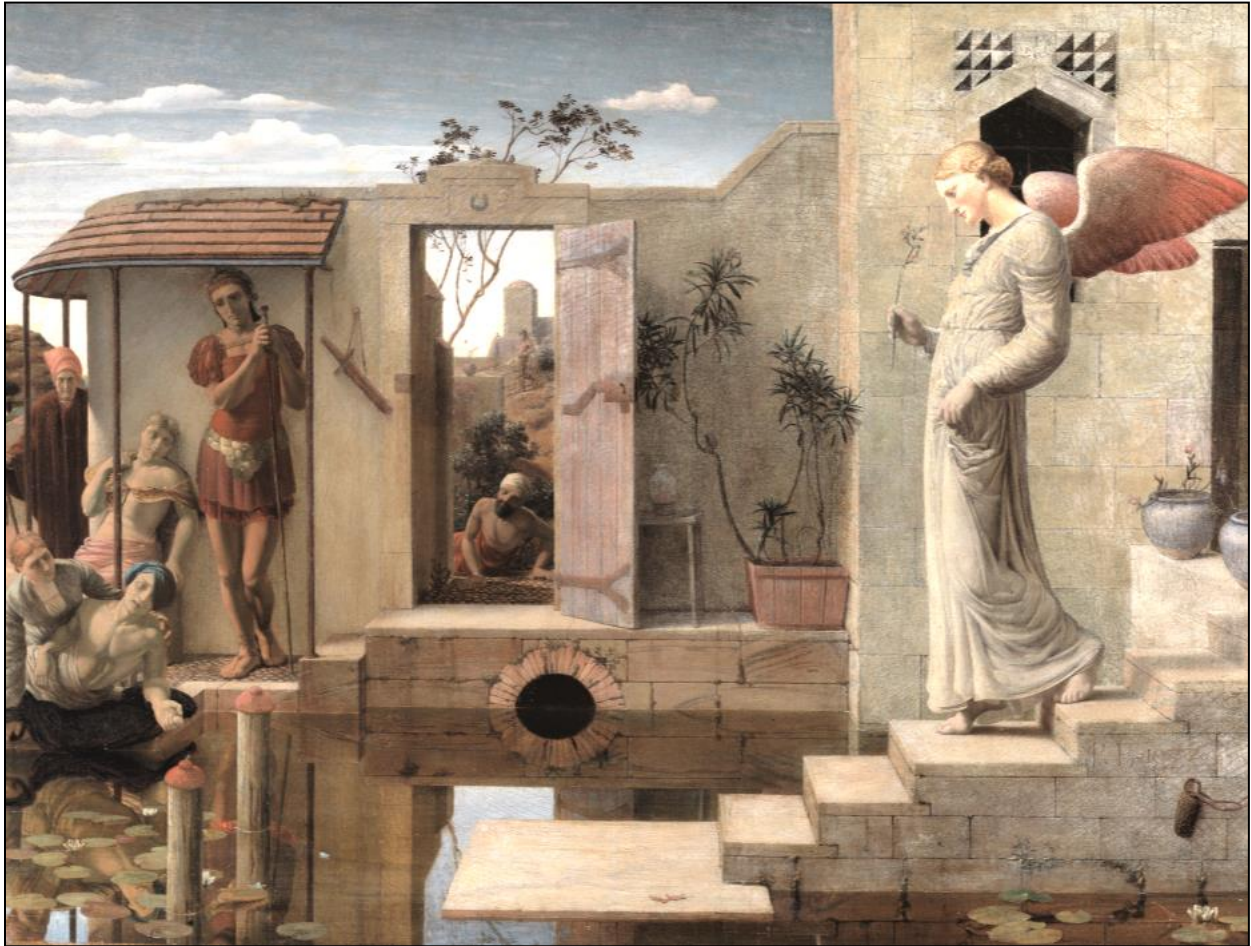




# St James Cathedral

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*"The Pool of Bethesda" by Robert Bateman*

## Holy Eucharist Sixth Sunday of Easter May 25, 2025 at 8 a.m.

# Welcome to St. James Cathedral!

Whether you are visiting or are a regular worshipper, you're not just welcome at St. James – you belong! This booklet contains everything you need to worship with us today. If you would like to learn about the mission and ministry of the cathedral, please complete one of the visitor cards available in the pews and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a clergy person.

## HOLY COMMUNION

We offer God's gracious gift of Holy Communion to anyone who wishes to receive it. If you prefer to receive a blessing, come forward and cross your arms over your chest. Let the priest know if you would need a gluten-free wafer or alcohol-free wine. We are also happy to bring Communion to you if you are unable to come to the altar rail. Please let an usher know if this would be helpful for you.

## PARKING

On Sundays, reduced-rate parking is available at R.O.W. Parking Garage (50 E. Ohio) for \$2 for up to six hours from the time of entering the garage. Discounts are also available for all-day parking at Ohio Ontario Self Park (33 W. Ontario) for \$11. To receive a reduced-rate parking voucher, please go to the welcome table in the narthex or the reception desk in the Welcome Center.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Restrooms are in the Welcome Center connected to the east end of the cathedral and below the front entrance of the cathedral.

## GET INVOLVED

There are a variety of ways to become involved, whether you are a committed follower of Christ, an occasional visitor who appreciates our programming, or fall somewhere in between.

Refreshments are available after the service, where we look forward to getting to know you and helping you connect with this vibrant and historic community!



The Very Rev. Lisa Hackney-James,  
*Dean of the Cathedral*



THIS WEEK'S ENEWS

# Gathering

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*As the clergy enter the cathedral, please stand.*

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*All* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*The presider welcomes the people to the service.*

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

## GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's 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

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

# Liturgy of the Word

## FIRST READING

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (16:9-15)

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

*Read in response by the reader and all.*

## PSALM 67

May God be merciful to us and bless us,  
**show us the light of his countenance and come to us.**

Let your ways be known upon earth,  
**your saving health among all nations.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
**let all the peoples praise you.**

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
**for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide all the nations upon earth.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
**let all the peoples praise you.**

The earth has brought forth her increase;  
**may God, our own God, give us his blessing.**

May God give us his blessing,  
**and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.**

*Please stand.*

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Presider*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. (5:1-9)

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

After Jesus healed the son of the official in Capernaum, there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many ill, blind, lame, and paralyzed people. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*All*                **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## SERMON

The Rev. Canon Steven Balke

*Canon Vicar*

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In 325, the first ecumenical council of the Church established the Nicene Creed as a universal statement of faith for every Christian. Through the 20th century, international ecumenical councils, biblical scholars, and language experts worked together to achieve the most accurate English translation. In 2018, The Episcopal Church voted to include this version in our prayer book to reclaim the original meaning of the Nicene Creed.

Notice, for example, that "he" pronouns for the Holy Spirit were not in the Creed as originally written, therefore this version also does not include them.

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*Please stand.*

## NICENE CREED

**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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, *who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

*After each petition, the response is*

Reader                      Lord, in your mercy,  
All                              **Hear our prayer.**

*The presider concludes, praying*

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## PEACE

*The presider says*

                                    The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
All                              **And also with you.**

*The people greet each other in the name of the Lord.*

# Holy Communion

## OFFERTORY



*Your offering supports the ongoing mission of St. James Cathedral, including the St. James Meals, Meals Among Us, and Summer in the City. Contributions are welcome online at [SaintJamesCathedral.org/give](http://SaintJamesCathedral.org/give), by texting “SJC” to 73256, or you may place checks and cash in the collection plate.*

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*All* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; but chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

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.

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:

**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.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

*The presider introduces the Lord's Prayer.*

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.**

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*All* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*The presider says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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## THE ST. JAMES CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PRAYER

*The presider says*

Let us pray.

Faithful God,  
you call us to be living stones in a spiritual temple.  
Bless the mission and outreach of this cathedral church.

By the power of your Holy Spirit,  
enable us confidently to restore its fabric,  
trustfully to reimagine our vocation,  
and boldly to renew our ministries in your name.

Make this place a house in which your love dwells  
and in which all your people find welcome.

Grant this, we pray, through the One who leads us ever onwards in your service,  
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## COMMISSIONING OF THE LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

*The presider says*

We 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.

*All*            **We who are many are one body, for we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

## BLESSING

*The presider prays for God's blessing on the gathered people.*

## DISMISSAL

*Presider*        Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*All*              **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

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## IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

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FOR THOSE COMMENDED TO THE PRAYER OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY: Ellen, Ginger, Jane, John, Loya, Andronica, Ibukun, Ted, Nancy, Lois, Bob, Mary, Scott, Hazel, Hollis, Sara Jane, Yvonne, Sandra, Lee, Greg, Tom, Ann, Kaye, Juan, Patrick, Dayna, Amy, Joyce, Dan, Carlos, Jimmy, Charles, Makenna

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND HAVE BEEN COMMENDED TO THE PRAYERS OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY: Willie Clark, Andrew Hamnett, Marshall Brain II, Frederick Ockerlund, Justin Cox

FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED BY GUN VIOLENCE IN CHICAGO IN THE PAST WEEK INCLUDING: Rodrigo, Angelo, Deonte, Pierre, Jose, Donnell, Troy, Akaysha, Mileena, Syruess, Gerson, Dexter, Monte, Freddy

DIOCESAN PRAYER CYCLE: For our bishop, Paula, our Presiding Bishop, Sean; and for the Congregations in the Joliet Deanery: St. Paul in Kankakee; St. John in Lockport; St. Thomas in Morris; Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk: San Pedro in Veracruz; St. Peter in Wunkur

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## THIS WEEK

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TODAY AT 10 A.M. THE FORUM: RESPONDING TO THE WORD AS A COMMUNITY OF FAITH *Healing Our Divided Faith Today: The Community at the Crossing* with the Rev. Dr. Patrick Malloy, PhD, and Monica Butta, Director of Development of the Mayo Clinic.



THIS WEEK'S ENEWS

ASCENSION DAY EUCHARIST THURSDAY, MAY 29, 12:10 P.M. Join us as we celebrate the Ascension of Christ - the occasion on which the risen Christ is taken into heaven after appearing to his followers for forty days - with a special Choral Eucharist. An ensemble from the Cathedral Choir will offer music of Anthony Piccolo and Raffaella Aleotti, and festive hymns of the day will be sung by all.

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## UPCOMING

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THE ORDINATION OF TIMOTHY BELTRAN DEL RIO, SATURDAY, MAY 31, 11 A.M. By the grace of God and with the consent of the people of God, the Right Reverend Paula E. Clark, Bishop of the Diocese of Chicago, will ordain Bryan Matias, Colin Collette, Shannon Page, Stephan Quarles and Timothy Beltran del Rio to the Sacred Order of Deacons in Christ's One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church on Saturday, May 31 at 11 a.m. at St. James Cathedral. Your prayers and presence are requested. A reception will follow.

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## UPCOMING

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**EVENSONG – MUSIC FOR ASCENSION, SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 4 P.M.** The Cathedral Choir's final Evensong of the season offers festive, triumphant music for Ascension. Falling forty days after easter, Ascension marks when Christ was lifted up into heaven, leaving his disciples amazed and in awe. The drama of this evocative story has inspired countless works of sacred music and art. A festive reception will follow in Kyle's Place.

**SUMMER IN THE CITY** is a non-residential adventure and art day camp for campers 8-13 years old from different parts of the city, allowing Chicago youth to discover treasure in their city, themselves, and others. This year's camp will primarily be held at St. Martin's Episcopal Church in the Austin neighborhood, from July 31-August 1. For more information or to register or sign-up to volunteer, visit [SaintJamesCathedral.org/SITC](http://SaintJamesCathedral.org/SITC).

**SIGN-UP FOR COFFEE HOUR** Love your community at St. James Cathedral? Feed them! Offerings of sweet or savory, homemade or store-bought goodies are needed for coffee hours. Dates are available for the 8, 9 and 11 o'clock services this summer. Sign up online at [saintjamescathedral.org/coffeehour](http://saintjamescathedral.org/coffeehour) or with the clipboard in the Welcome Center.

**RUSH HOUR CONCERTS RETURN JUNE 3** Make summer nights classic with free concerts right here at St. James featuring Chicago's best classical musicians and ensembles. The best ensembles in the city perform programs designed to enliven commuters and make the most of summer – Tuesdays, June 3 - August 19, 5:45 - 6:30 p.m. Scan the QR Code for more information.



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## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

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PRESIDER & PREACHER: The Rev. Canon Steven Balke

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## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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SUNDAYS	8 a.m.	Holy Eucharist ( <i>Spoken</i> )	Chapel
	9 a.m.	Holy Eucharist ( <i>Family</i> )	Cathedral
	11 a.m.	Holy Eucharist ( <i>Choral</i> )	Cathedral
		Live-Stream Service ( <i>see enews, website, or YouTube</i> )	
FIRST SUNDAYS	4 p.m.	Choral Evensong ( <i>Oct–June</i> )	Cathedral
WEEKDAYS	9 a.m.	Morning Prayer ( <i>see enews, or website</i> )	Zoom
	12:10 p.m.	Holy Eucharist	Cathedral
	5:45 p.m.	Choral Evensong ( <i>Wednesdays, Sept–June</i> )	Cathedral

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