



St James Cathedral

CHICAGO

Restore. Reimagine. Rebuild.



"Moonlight" by Washington Allston

Holy Eucharist
First Sunday of Advent
December 1, 2024 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 rear of the chapel 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 a priest 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 \$10. 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,
Provost of the Cathedral



THIS WEEK'S ENEWS

Gathering

OPENING ACCLAMATION

As the clergy enter the chapel, please stand.

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

All **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The presider welcomes the people to the service.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The presider pronounces God's forgiveness.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians. (3:9-13)

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Read in response by the reader and all.

PSALM 25:1-9

To you, O God, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you;
**let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

Let none who look to you be put to shame;
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

Show me your ways, O God,
and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me,
**for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.**

Remember, O God, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
**remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O God.**

Gracious and upright are you;
therefore you teach sinners in your way.

You guide the humble in doing right
and teach your way to the lowly.

All your paths are love and faithfulness
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

Please stand.

HOLY GOSPEL

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. (21:25-36)

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

Jesus said, “There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place and to stand before the Son of Man.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Micah T. J. Jackson, PhD
President, Bexley Seabury Seminary

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, the original statement that the Holy Spirit “proceeds from the Father.” The phrase “and the Son” was added later without the wider Church’s consent, therefore this version does not include it.

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

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **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, 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; because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. 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 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 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.**

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 Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

The presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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 prefer a gluten-free wafer or alcohol-free wine.

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.

ADVENT BLESSING

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility,
sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. **Amen.**

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith,
joyful in hope, and constant in love. **Amen.**

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with
unending life. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and
remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Presider Let us bless the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sign up for our weekly newsletter at SaintJamesCathedral.org/enews or texting SJCenews to 22828

THIS WEEK

SCHEDULE Visit SaintJamesCathedral.org/Schedule to see the worship and formation schedule.

REVIVE CHRISTMAS APPEAL Today is the deadline to drop off Revive Christmas gifts!



ADVENT RETREAT “Pay Attention to What Touches Your Heart.” December 7th from 9 am to 3 pm. Come together for a day of quiet reflection led by Spiritual Director Fr. Juan Reed, retired Vicar of St. Martin’s. The retreat, co-sponsored by St. Martin’s Episcopal Church and St. James Cathedral, will feature time together in small and larger groups and time apart. Continental breakfast available starting at 8 am.

MORNING PRAYER ON ZOOM every weekday at 9:00 a.m. Every Monday through Friday at 9:00 a.m., join us from the comfort of your home as we start off our day with prayer together. The Zoom Morning Prayer Link can be found on our website and the Sermon of the Day emails.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS through Advent we continue our regular pattern of gathering in community on Wednesday evenings at 5:45 pm in the cathedral for Evensong led by our choristers, followed by a community dinner at 6:00 pm in the Great Hall, adult formation at 6:30 pm, and compline at 7:30 pm. Join us for part or all of these community offerings. Contact the Rev. Canon Steven Balke at sbalke@saintjamescathedral.org for more information.

UPCOMING

CHRISTMAS WITH THE TALLIS SCHOLARS Monday, December 9th at 7 p.m. at St. James. Welcome to Christmas with The Tallis Scholars! Join us at St. James Cathedral for a magical evening of beautiful choral music celebrating the holiday season. Immerse yourself in the stunning voices of The Tallis Scholars as they perform a selection of traditional Christmas carols and sacred music. Their program "In dulci jubilo" will feature Christmas music from the medieval period to the present era. Don't miss this unforgettable event that will fill your heart with the spirit of Christmas! See the ENews for tickets!

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

FOR THOSE COMMENDED TO THE PRAYER OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY: Brenda, Ellen, Richard, Ginger, Jane, John, Loya, Andronica, Ibukun, Ted, Elizabeth, Bill, Nancy, Tom, Julie, Lois, LaVonne, Bob, Oriana, Mary, Scott, Hazel, Hollis, Nathaniel, Beka, Paul, Diane, Catherine, Skylar, Larry, Dan

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND HAVE BEEN COMMENDED TO THE PRAYERS OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY: Ena Knight, Renee Bryer, Richard Muir, Lamont Bryant

FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED BY GUN VIOLENCE IN CHICAGO IN THE PAST WEEK, INCLUDING: Ricardo, Anthony, Lacramioara, Leonardo, Manuel, Demetrius, Carlos, Shaquielle, Jesus

DIOCESAN PRAYER CYCLE: For our bishop, Paula, our Presiding Bishop, Sean; Intercessions and thanksgivings are offered today for the lay members and leaders of our Diocese: governing bodies and committees of our congregations. And for leaders in our Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk

CHRISTMAS AT THE CATHEDRAL

NINE LESSONS & CAROLS

Thursday, Dec. 19 at 7:30 p.m.

FAMILY EUCHARIST &
CHILDREN'S PAGEANT

Tuesday, Dec. 24 at 4 p.m.

LESSONS & CAROLS FOR
CHRISTMAS EVE

Tuesday, Dec. 24 at 7 p.m.

SOLEMN EUCHARIST

Tuesday, Dec. 24 at 10 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday, Dec. 25 at 10 a.m.

EPIPHANY LESSONS & CAROLS

Sunday, Jan. 5 at 4 p.m.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

PRESIDER: The Very Rev. Lisa Hackney-James PREACHER: The Rev. Micah T. J. Jackson, PhD

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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
	7:30 p.m.	Compline (<i>Wednesdays</i>)	Cathedral

CLERGY & STAFF

The Very Rev. Lisa Hackney-James, <i>Provost</i>	lhj@saintjamescathedral.org
The Rev. Canon Steven Balke, <i>Pastoral Care & Outreach</i>	sbalke@saintjamescathedral.org
The Rev. Canon Christopher Griffin, <i>Community Partnerships</i>	cgriffin@saintjamescathedral.org
The Rev. Brenda Kilpatrick, <i>Deacon</i>	bkilpatrick@saintjamescathedral.org
The Rev. A. Frank Donaghue, <i>Priest Associate</i>	info@saintjamescathedral.org
Canon Stephen Buzard, <i>Director of Music</i>	sbuzard@saintjamescathedral.org
Canon Robert Black, <i>Finance & Administration</i>	rblack@saintjamescathedral.org
Gilda Valentino, <i>Director of Administration</i>	gvalentino@saintjamescathedral.org
Jessica McCarthy, <i>Assistant for Music</i>	jmccarthy@saintjamescathedral.org
Christine Price, <i>Accountant</i>	cprice@saintjamescathedral.org
Shaun Bond, <i>Senior Sexton</i>	info@saintjamescathedral.org
Sree Brahmamdam, <i>Assoc. for Web Content & Social Media</i>	communications@saintjamescathedral.org
Jacob Perkins, <i>Intern for Administration</i>	admin@saintjamescathedral.org
Mike Hernandez, <i>Seminarian Intern</i>	info@saintjamescathedral.org

CATHEDRAL CHAPTER

Susan Fickling, *Senior Warden*, Allen Moye, *Junior Warden*, Erin Maus, *Chancellor*, Paul Thompson, *Treasurer*, Elizabeth Wakefield-Connell, *Secretary*, Lisa Ahmad, The Rev. Maurice Charles, George Culver, Phil Debush, Anne Driscoll, Cilla Esiri-Olowopopo, John Fischer, Greg Gerber, Maria Price, Ann Ryba, Keith Schmidt, and The Rev. Eileen Shanley-Roberts



St. James Cathedral is an Episcopal Church,
A member of the Worldwide Anglican Communion.

Music usage licensing and agreements:
Church Hymnal Corporation, New York, and OneLicense.net
All images labeled for noncommercial reuse with modification