



St James Cathedral

CHICAGO

Restore. Reimagine. Rebuild.



"Jesus, The Vine" by Gloria Ssali

Holy Eucharist
Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 28, 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 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,
Provost of the Cathedral



THIS WEEK'S ENEWS

Gathering

OPENING ACCLAMATION

As the clergy enter the chapel, 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.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of 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. (8:26-40)

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this, "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Read in response by the reader and all.

PSALM 22:24-30

My praise is of him in the great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him:

"May your heart live for ever!"

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

For kingship belongs to the Lord;
he rules over the nations.

To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him;
they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.

They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn
the saving deeds that he has done.

Please stand.

HOLY GOSPEL

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. (15:1-8)

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Canon Steven Balke
Canon for Pastoral Care & Outreach

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

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, 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.

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.

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.**

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.

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.**

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

FOR THOSE COMMENDED TO THE PRAYER OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY: Brenda, Ellen, Richard, Ginger, Jane, Loya, Andronica, Ibukun, Ted, Charlotte, Karen, Mike, Hailey, David, Dennis, Donna, Rosie, Laverne, Katie, Gloria, Susan, Gemma, Bill, Yvonne, Frank, Nancy, Paul, Elisabeth, Norma

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND HAVE BEEN COMMENDED TO THE PRAYERS OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY: Paul McCarthy, Maryanne Stabnick

FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED BY GUN VIOLENCE IN CHICAGO IN THE PAST WEEK INCLUDING: Jamyah, Luis

DIOCESAN PRAYER CYCLE: Congregations in the Evanston Deanery: Canterbury House at Northwestern University; St. Andrew Pentecost in Evanston; St. Luke in Evanston; St. Mark in Evanston; St. Matthew in Evanston; Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk: San Francisco de Asís in Tuxtepec; Panomsit Sub-Parish

ST. JAMES CAPITAL CAMPAIGN entitled *Restore Reimagine Rebuild* was launched at our 2022 Annual Meeting. All parishioners will be contacted with more information on this campaign, but in the meantime you can view the campaign brochure at SaintJamesCathedral.org/Capital-Campaign.

“There's no question but that we have a big fundraising goal, and an uncertain time ahead here at St. James. But every time I want to feel overwhelmed by those things, I imagine what it must have been like for the people of St. James on the morning of October 10, 1871. They'd dedicated their brand new building just a few weeks before, and here it was, in ashes, with only the bell tower standing. How uncertain, how *impossible*, it must have seemed to rebuild. But rebuild they did, as a community of faith—faith in God and in each other. We have so much more than they did. We *have* a building. Surely we can come together as they did, discern together what our future is meant to be, and create the spaces we need to continue to pursue our mission.”

– Marianne Culver, Member of the Choir and Count Ministry

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

THIS WEEK

THE FORUM: EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY led by Laura Jenkins, experience an introduction to theological reflection, a core practice of EfM groups. Education for Ministry engages participants in deep study of our faith traditions as a means of deepening our relationship with God and one another. We'll talk a little about what EfM isn't (formal discernment for ordained ministry) and is (an intentional spiritual community in which we discern the ministry we are each called to as Christians.)



THIS WEEK'S ENEWS

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FORMATION: OUR BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER continues this Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. exploring one of the primary foundations of The Episcopal Church's identity: The Book of Common Prayer. For more information on Wednesday evening offerings, see the enews.

ST. ANDREW'S CHAPEL RESTORATION is the second project of our Capital Campaign and will begin on Monday, April 29. The work is projected to be completed early July. **Beginning next Sunday, May 5, the 8 a.m. service will take place in the Cathedral.**

UPCOMING

CHORAL EVENSONG: THE MUSIC OF LEO SOWERBY next Sunday, May 5 at 4 p.m. will feature the music of Leo Sowerby who was the Organist and Choirmaster at St. James from 1927-1962. Dr. Joseph Sargent, author of the new biography *Leo Sowerby*, will give a lecture on Sowerby's life and prodigious output before Evensong at 3 p.m. in Kyle's Place, and a festive reception will follow evensong.

TARRY AWHILE: A PENTECOST VIGIL / RETREAT on Saturday, May 18 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. is inspired by the book *Tarry Awhile: Wisdom from Black Spirituality for People of Faith* by Selina Stone. Hosted by St. Martin's, this retreat will explore the role of the Holy Spirit in our lives individually and as communities of faith. To learn more or register, see the enews or visit www.SaintJamesCathedral.org/Parish-Retreat.

CATHEDRAL CHOIR SCHOOL is now enrolling for the 2024-25 season. Come test the waters and be a chorister for a day on Wednesday, May 15, from 4:30-6 p.m. For more information, see the enews or email Canon Director of Music, Stephen Buzard, at sbuzard@SaintJamesCathedral.org.

SUMMER IN THE CITY is a non-residential day camp for 35 campers 8-13 years old from different parts of the city. SITC is an adventure and art camp allowing Chicago youth to discover treasure in their city, themselves, and others. For more information or to register or sign up to volunteer, visit SaintJamesCathedral.org/SITC.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

PRESIDER & PREACHER:

The Very Rev. Lisa Hackney-James

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, Sept–June</i>)	Chapel

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