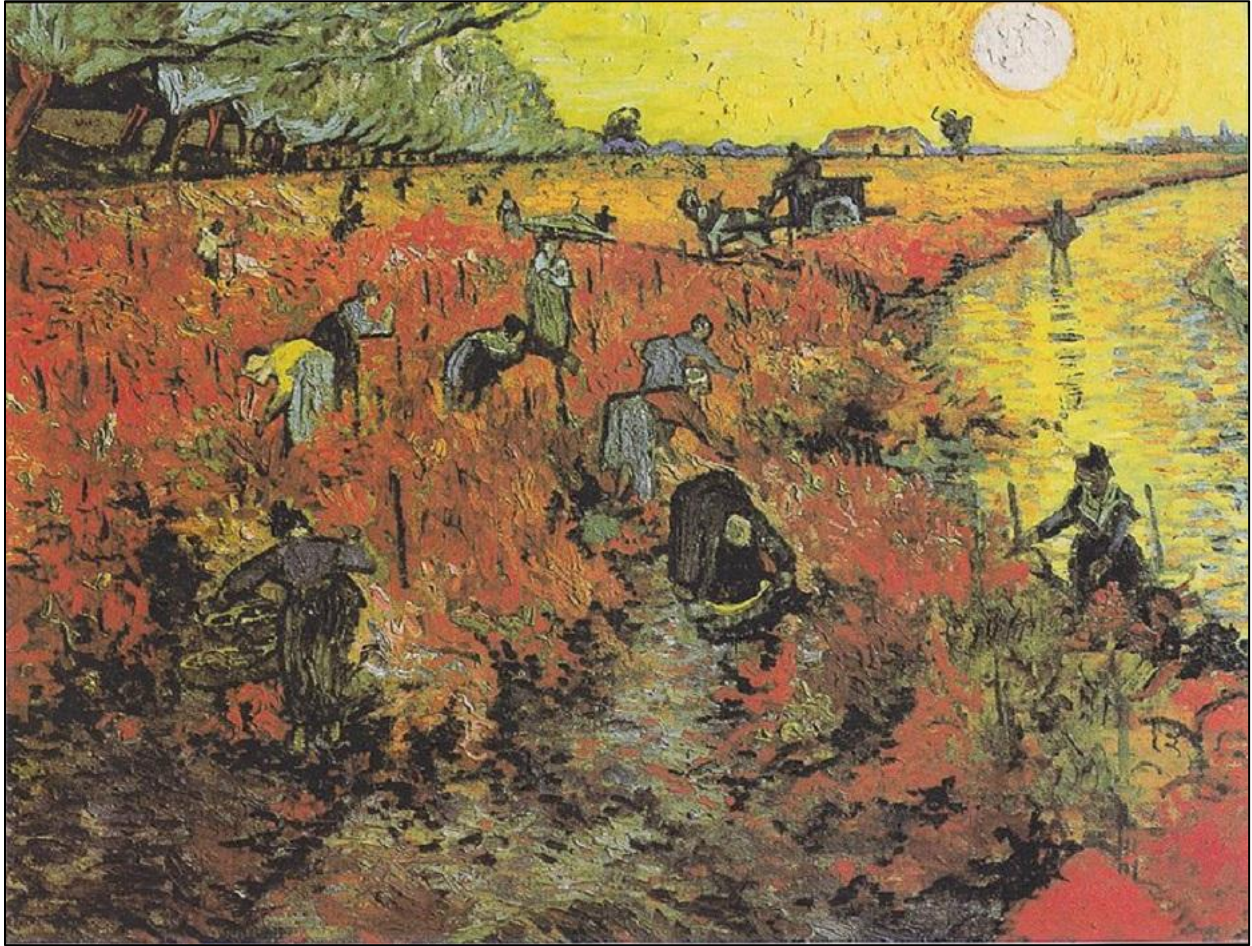




St James Cathedral

CHICAGO

Forged in Fire: From Age to Age



"The Red Vineyard" by Vincent van Gogh

Holy Eucharist

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 20, 2026 at 9 a.m.



Voices on the Commons



SEPT 27

Funmi Olopade & Ray Suarez



OCT 4

Nancy & David French



OCT 11

Eileen Shanley-Roberts & Richard Hoskins



NOV 1

John Palfrey

Sundays | 10 a.m. | St. James Commons
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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 pew racks and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a clergy person.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

Children are always welcome here, and this service is designed to actively engage them in worship. There is an open space to the front right of the pews for children 5 and under to play under your supervision and a changing station for parents of our youngest members under the church in the restrooms.

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, cross your arms over your chest. Let the priest know if you need a gluten-free wafer. We are also happy to bring Communion to you if you are unable to come to the altar. 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.

RESTROOMS

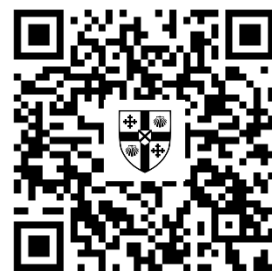
Restrooms are located on this level in the Welcome Center in the attached modern building. Additional restrooms can also be found on the lower level via the stairs in the Wabash lobby.

GET INVOLVED & BECOME A MEMBER

There are a variety of ways to become involved, whether you are already a committed follower of Christ, an occasional visitor who appreciates our programming, or someone simply seeking connection. Refreshments are available after the service, where we look forward to getting to know you! For more info about becoming a member, visit SaintJamesCathedral.org/Join.



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



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Gathering

VOLUNTARY

The people stand
INTROIT HYMN

Hymnal 527



1 Sing - ing songs of ex - pec - ta - tion, on - ward
2 One the light of God's own pres - ence, o'er his
3 One the strain the lips of thou - sands lift as



goes the pil - grim band, through the night of
ran - somed peo - ple shed, chas - ing far the
from the heart of one; one the con - flict,



doubt and sor - row, march - ing to the prom - ised land.
gloom and ter - ror, bright - ening all the path we tread:
one the per - il, one the march in God be - gun:



Clear be - fore us through the dark - ness gleams and
one the ob - ject of our jour - ney, one the
one the glad - ness of re - joic - ing on the



burns the guid - ing light: trust - ing God we
faith which nev - er tires, one the ear - nest
far e - ter - nal shore, where the one al -



march to - geth - er step - ping fear - less through the night.
look - ing for - ward, one the hope our God in - spires.
might - y Fa - ther reigns in love for ev - er - more.

Words: Bernard Severin Ingemann (1789-1862) tr. Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924), alt.

Music: Tony Botel, Thomas John Williams (1869-1944)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be the One, Holy, and Living God.

All **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

The presider welcomes the people to the service

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Reader Father, you come to meet us when we return to you:

Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader Jesus, you died on the cross for our sins:

Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

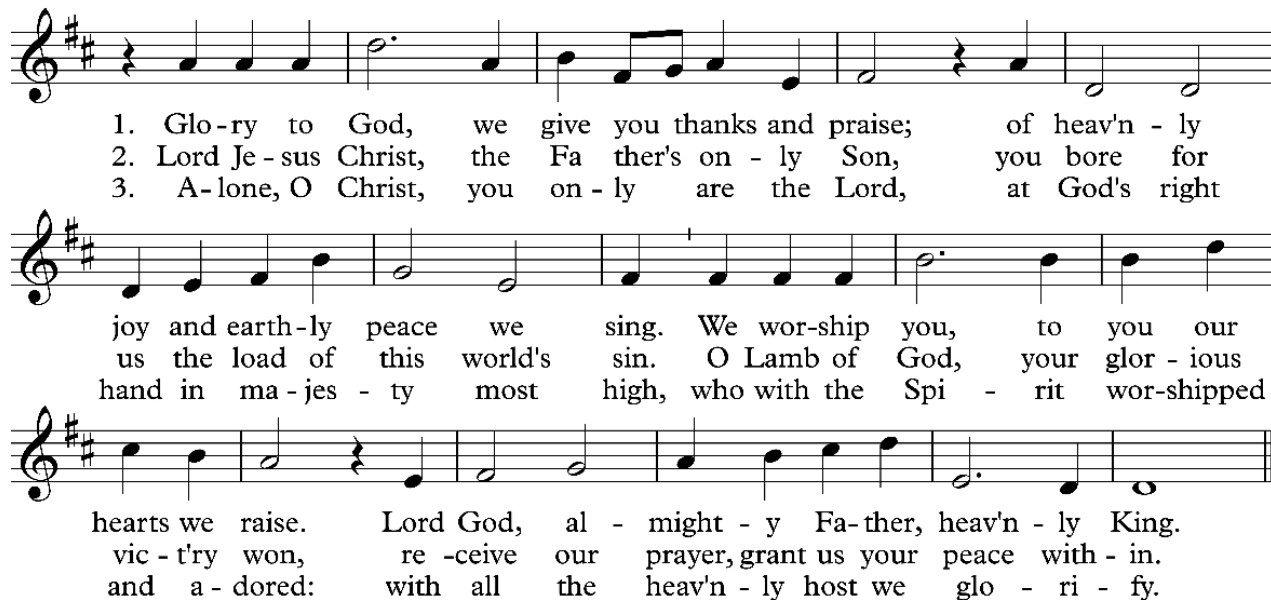
Reader Spirit, you give us life and peace:

Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

The presider pronounces God's forgiveness

GLORIA



1. Glo-ry to God, we give you thanks and praise; of heav'n - ly
2. Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son, you bore for
3. A-lone, O Christ, you on - ly are the Lord, at God's right

joy and earth-ly peace we sing. We wor-ship you, to you our
us the load of this world's sin. O Lamb of God, your glor - ious
hand in ma - jes - ty most high, who with the Spi - rit wor-shipped

hearts we raise. Lord God, al - might - y Fa-ther, heav'n - ly King.
vic - t'ry won, re - ceive our prayer, grant us your peace with - in.
and a - dored: with all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

Words: Edwin Le Grice (1911-1992)

Music: Woodlands, Walter Greatorex (1877-1949), alt. Desc: Cathedral Choristers, Choir Camp 2025

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.
All **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The people are seated

Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Exodus (16:2–7, 13–15)

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat and ate our fill of bread, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

All The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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ALLELUIA

As the Deacon carries the Gospel book past the play area, all children are encouraged to join in the procession, gathering around as the Gospel is read.



Music: Caribbean traditional, arr. John L. Bell (b. 1949)

HOLY GOSPEL

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (20:1-16)

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

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a person who owned some land. One morning, he went out very early to hire some people to work in his vineyard. The man agreed to pay the workers one coin for working that day. Then he sent them into the vineyard to work. About nine o'clock the man went to the marketplace and saw some other people standing there, doing nothing. So he said to them, 'If you go and work in my vineyard, I will pay you what your work is worth.' So they went to work in the vineyard. The man went out again about twelve o'clock and three o'clock and did the same thing. About five o'clock the man went to the marketplace again and saw others standing there. He asked them, 'Why did you stand here all day doing nothing?' They answered, 'No one gave us a job.' The man said to them, 'Then you can go and work in my vineyard.' At the end of the day, the owner of the vineyard said to the boss of all the workers, 'Call the workers and pay them. Start with the last people I hired and end with those I hired first.'

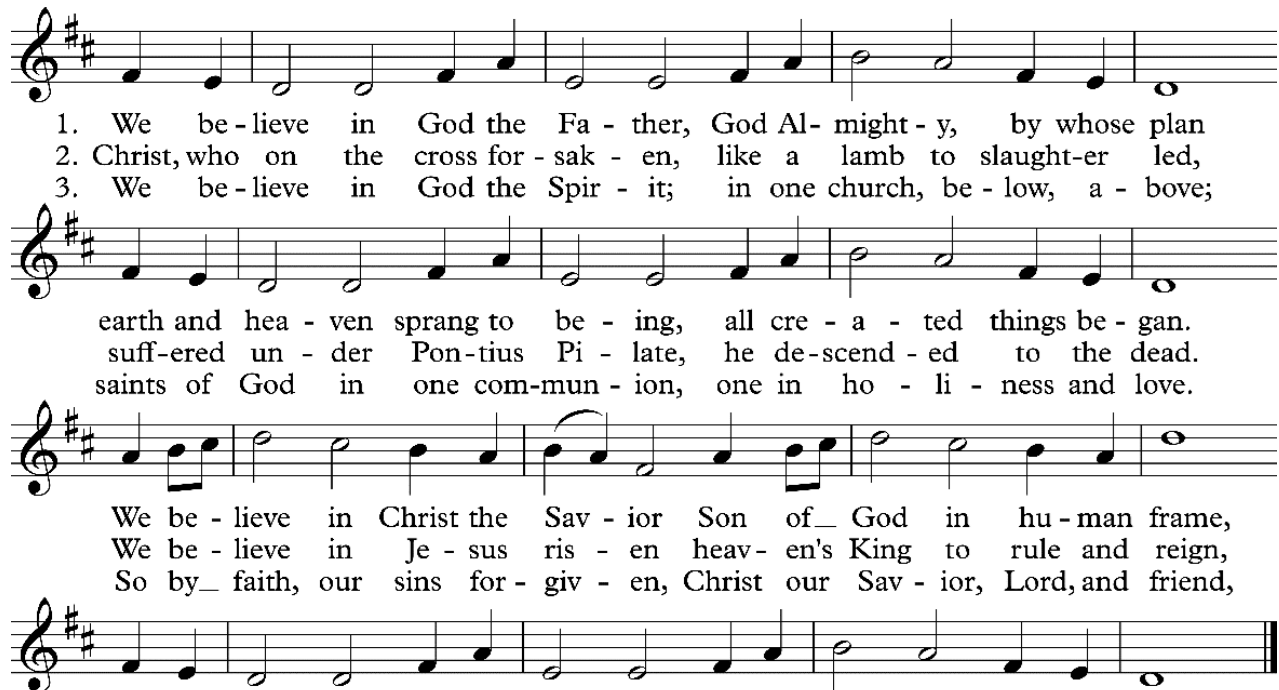
When the workers who were hired at five o'clock came to get their pay, each received one coin. When the workers who were hired first came to get their pay, they thought they would be paid more than the others. But each one of them also received one coin. When they got their coin, they complained to the man who owned the land. They said, 'Those people were hired last and worked only one hour. But you paid them the same as you paid us who worked hard all day in the hot sun.' But the man who owned the vineyard said to one of those workers, 'Friend, I am being fair to you. You agreed to work for one coin. So take your pay and go. I want to give the man who was hired last the same pay that I gave you. I can do what I want with my own money. Are you jealous because I am good to those people?' So those who are last now will someday be first, and those who are first now will someday be last."

The Gospel of the Lord.

SERMON

The Rev. Canon Steven Balke
Canon Vicar

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH



1. We be - lieve in God the Fa - ther, God Al - might - y, by whose plan
2. Christ, who on the cross for - sak - en, like a lamb to slaught - er led,
3. We be - lieve in God the Spir - it; in one church, be - low, a - bove;
earth and hea - ven sprang to be - ing, all cre - a - ted things be - gan.
suff - ered un - der Pon - tius Pi - late, he de - scend - ed to the dead.
saints of God in one com - mun - ion, one in ho - li - ness and love.
We be - lieve in Christ the Sav - ior Son of God in hu - man frame,
We be - lieve in Je - sus ris - en heav - en's King to rule and reign,
So by faith, our sins for - giv - en, Christ our Sav - ior, Lord, and friend,
vir - gin born, the child of Ma - ry up - on whom the Spir - it came.
to the Fa - ther's side as - cend - ed till as judge he comes a - gain.
we shall rise with him in glo - ry to the life that knows no end.

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926–2024); from the Apostles' Creed

Music: Nettleton, melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We give thanks for what is good in the world and pray for the Church, the world and our local community, the sick, those who need our prayers, and those who have died.

PEACE

The presider says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

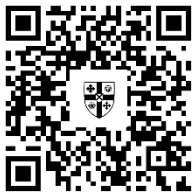
All And also with you.

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.

The people stand

OFFERTORY HYMN

Hymnal 685

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. The first system has three verses of lyrics. The second system has two verses. The third system has two verses. The music is a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady bass line.

1 Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;
2 Should my tears for ev - er flow, should my zeal no lan - guor know,
3 While I draw this fleet-ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,

let the wa - ter and the blood from thy wound - ed side that flowed,
all for sin could not a - tone: thou must save, and thou a - lone;
when I rise to worlds un - known and be - hold thee on thy throne,

be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.
in my hand no price I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling.
Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

Words: Augustus Montague Toplady (1740-1778), alt.

Music: Toplady, Thomas Hastings (1784-1872)

GREAT THANKSGIVING

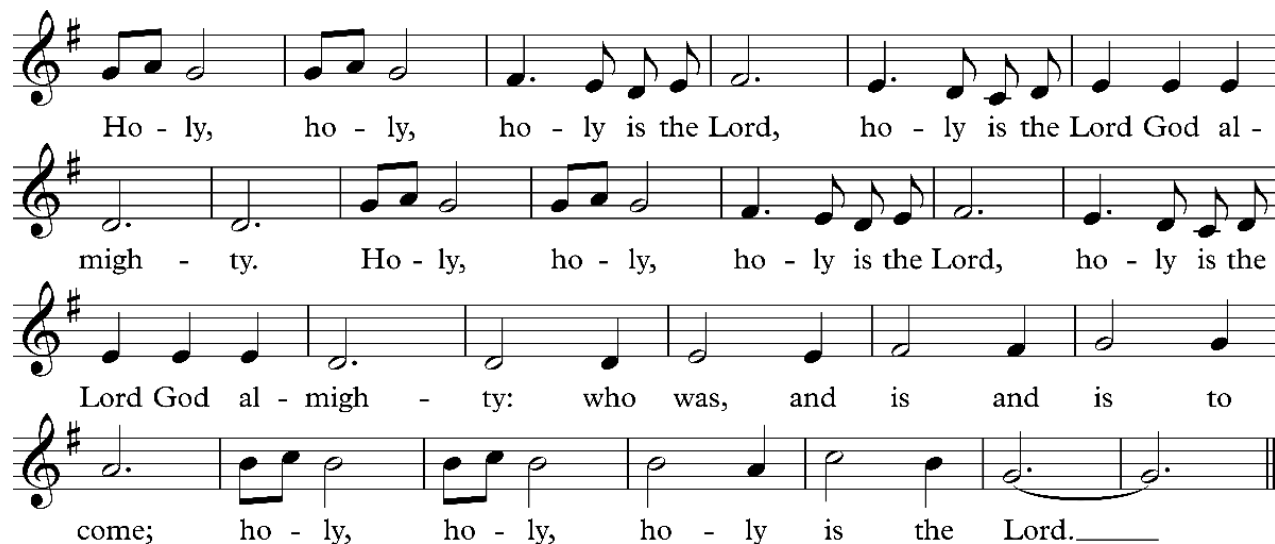
Presider God be with you.
All **And also with you.**

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.**

Reader Why is it right to give God thanks and praise?
All **Listen, and we will hear.**

Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish. You give us the fish in the sea, the birds of the air, and every plant and tree; the life that sleeps in the winter earth, and awakens again in the spring. You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing your praise:



We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live. Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

Reader Why do we share this bread and wine?
All **Listen, and we will hear.**

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying: "This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me."

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying: "This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins."

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life. As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Savior.



Reader How do we follow Jesus Christ?
All Listen, and we will hear.

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms. And now with all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.



LORD'S PRAYER

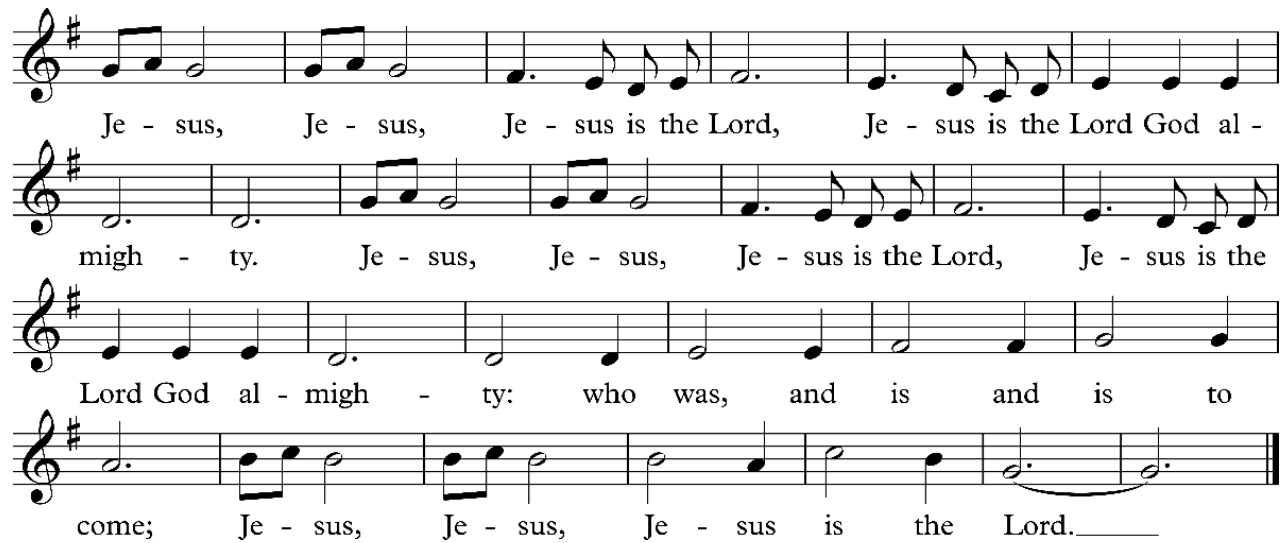
Hymnal S-119

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The musical score is written on ten staves in a plainsong style. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are simple, using half notes and whole notes, with horizontal lines indicating the pitch contour. The lyrics are written below the staves, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line on the final staff.

Music: Plainsong

BREAKING OF THE BREAD



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.

The choristers sing

COMMUNION ANTHEM

C.V. Stanford (1852–1924)

O sing unto the Lord a new song
let the congregation of saints praise him.
Let Israel rejoice in him that made him
and let the children of Sion be joyful in their King.
Let them praise his Name in the dance
let them sing praises unto him with tabret and harp.
For the Lord hath pleasure in his people
and helpeth the meek-hearted.
Let the saints be joyful with glory
let them rejoice in their beds.
Let the praises of God be in their mouth
and a two-edged sword in their hands;
To be avenged of the heathen
and to rebuke the people;
To bind their kings in chains
and their nobles with links of iron.
That they may be avenged of them, as it is written
Such honour have all his saints.

–Psalm 149

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

The people stand and the presider says

Let us pray.

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.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

Hymnal 551

1 Rise up, ye saints of God! Have done with less - er things, give
2 Rise up, ye saints of God! His king - dom tar - ries long: Lord,
3 Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod; and

heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.
bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.
quick-ened by the Spi - rit's power, rise up, ye saints of God!

Words: William Pierson Merrill (1867-1954), alt.
Music: *Festal Song*, William H. Walter (1825-1893)

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

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

FOR THOSE COMMENDED TO THE PRAYER OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY:

Ginger, Loya, Andronica, Ibukun, Ted, Lois, Mary, Yvonne, Lee, Rachael, Jonah, Richard, Cleo, Frank, Joshua, Nicole, Pamela, Sue, Wei Wei, James, Eoin, Bill, Gina, Dominic, Michael, Gary, Carolyn, Donna, Amanda, Ann, Robert, Thomas, Jack, Christopher

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND HAVE BEEN COMMENDED TO THE PRAYERS OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY: Paula Walters

FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED BY GUN VIOLENCE IN CHICAGO IN THE PAST WEEK INCLUDING: Dorian, Natalia, Davion, Michael, Mikquale

DIOCESAN PRAYER CYCLE: Our bishop, Paula, and our Presiding Bishop, Sean; Diocesan Agencies: Bishop & Trustees; Diocesan Council, Diocesan Foundation, Trustees of the Endowment Fund; Episcopal Charities; and Standing Committee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Calling all animal lovers! We need volunteers to assist with St. James's annual Blessing of the Pets on October 4 at 4:00 PM on the plaza. You'll help us welcome our neighbors and their beloved pets by handing out treats during the event. For more info, scan the E-News QR code!

SMALL GROUPS AT ST. JAMES:

- **60s & 70s Group** meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday in the library. To learn more, email 60and70@SaintJamesCathedral.org
- **The First Tuesday Book Group** Join us as we discuss *Hill* by Harriet Clark! Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 6 in the second-floor meeting room. Contact Marcy Backhus at marcybackhus@me.com
- **The First Sunday Book Group** needs help choosing the next Fall reading selection. Cast your vote for your top choice before our next gathering on Sunday, October 4, at 1:00 PM in the 2nd Floor Library. For more info, scan the E-News QR code!
- **St. James Pride** is meeting today, at 12:30 PM in the 3rd floor conference room. We gather on the 3rd Sunday of every month to plan upcoming events and enjoy fellowship with one another. All are welcome to attend!



THIS WEEK'S E-NEWS

O Sing Unto the Lord a New Song

New songs of the English choral tradition from the
Renaissance to the present day



"Fugue in Red" by Paul Klee

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

7:30 P.M.

The Choir of St. James Cathedral
Andrew Megill, Conductor-In-Residence



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

PRESIDER: Very Rev. Lisa Hackney-James
DEACON: The Rev. Rick Incorvati

PREACHER: The Rev. Canon Steven Balke

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	Chapel
	5:45 p.m.	Choral Evensong (<i>Wednesdays, Sept–June</i>)	Cathedral

CLERGY & STAFF

The Very Rev. Lisa Hackney-James, *Dean*
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The Rev. Canon Christopher Griffin, *Community Partnerships*
The Rev. Rick Incorvati, *Deacon*
The Rev. A. Frank Donaghue, *Priest Associate*
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