

SAINT JAMES' ANGLICAN CHURCH

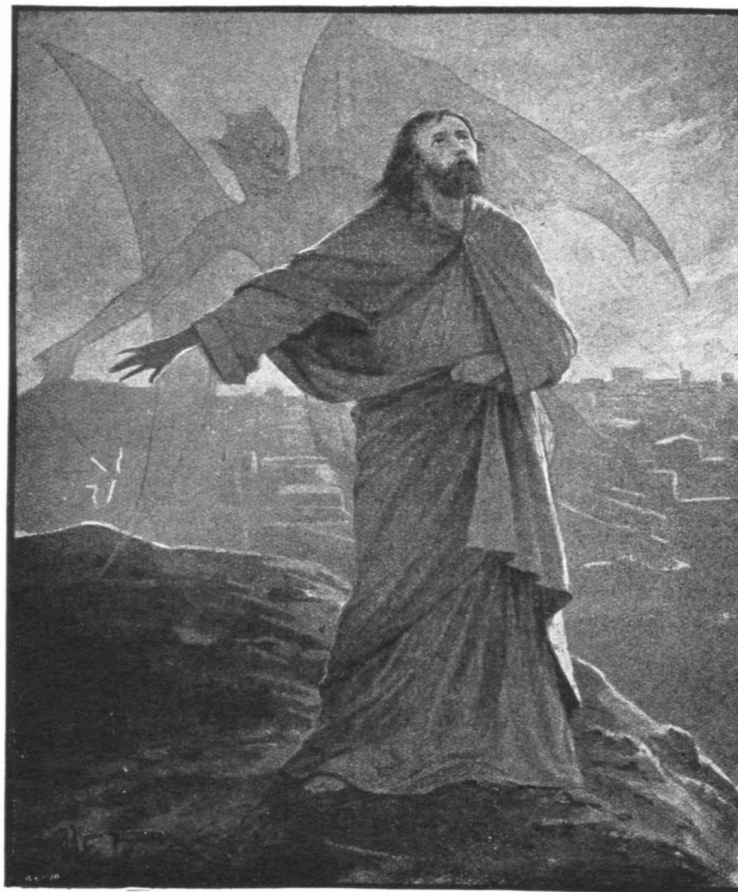
Fresno, California

March 31, 2019

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

1:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist Ancient Canon

Confirmation



"Get thee behind me, Satan."—Luke iv. 8.

I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son."

Luke 15:18, 19

St. James' Anglican Church

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. to Noon

VISION

We are seeking God's place for us in the world by abiding in Christ, following His teaching, discerning His will, and staying committed to godly fellowship and our Anglican heritage.

INFORMATION

Website - www.stjas.org

St James' Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/stjas.org>

SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS

8:00 am Service with Holy Eucharist

Meeting at: Church Office, 1300 E. Shaw Ave., Suite 174

1:30 pm Family Service with Holy Eucharist

Meeting at: Campus Bible Church, 222 E. Fountain Way,

Fresno, CA 93704

CHAPEL SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday

8:00 am - Morning Prayer & Holy Eucharist

1300 East Shaw Ave., Suite 174

Fresno, CA 93710

The Holy Eucharist:

Please stand after an opening Scripture is read.

Prelude: **Fantasy Prelude**, *Gilbert M. Martin*
 Meditation on “The Lord is my Shepherd”,
 Jesse S. Irvine, Setting by Mary McDonald
 The Gift of Love, *Arr. Janet Linker*

Processional: **The Glory of These 40 Days** **Page # 22**

Penitential Order

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins
People His mercy endures for ever.

The Decalogue

Exodus 20:1-17; Deuteronomy 5:6-21

Celebrant God spoke these words and said: I am the Lord your God,
 you shall have no other gods but me.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep
 this law.

Celebrant You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep
 this law.

Celebrant You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep
 this law.

Celebrant Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant Honor your father and your mother.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not murder.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not commit adultery.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not steal.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant You shall not covet.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these, your laws, in our hearts, we beseech you.

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel:

The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8, 9*

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:14, 16*

Confession

The Deacon says,

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People

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.

The Priest, stands and says,

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. Amen.

Trisagion S-102

Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,

Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.

The Word of God

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with your spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect of the Day

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Lessons (*Holy Scripture is from the English Standard Version. The Psalm is from the Book of Common Prayer, 1979 Ed.*)

Please be seated.

After each Reading, the Lector may say, The Word of the Lord.
People may respond, Thanks be to God.

The First Lesson

Joshua 4:19-24, 5:1-12

The people came up out of the Jordan on the tenth day of the first month, and they encamped at Gilgal on the east border of Jericho. And those twelve stones, which they took out of the Jordan, Joshua set up at Gilgal. And he said to the people of Israel, "When your children ask their fathers in times to come, 'What do these stones mean?' then you shall let your children know, 'Israel passed over this Jordan on dry ground.' For the LORD your God dried up the waters of the Jordan for you until you passed over, as the LORD your God did to

the Red Sea, which he dried up for us until we passed over, so that all the peoples of the earth may know that the hand of the LORD is mighty, that you may fear the LORD your God forever."

As soon as all the kings of the Amorites who were beyond the Jordan to the west, and all the kings of the Canaanites who were by the sea, heard that the LORD had dried up the waters of the Jordan for the people of Israel until they had crossed over, their hearts melted and there was no longer any spirit in them because of the people of Israel. At that time the LORD said to Joshua, "Make flint knives and circumcise the sons of Israel a second time." So Joshua made flint knives and circumcised the sons of Israel at Gibeath-haaraloth. And this is the reason why Joshua circumcised them: all the males of the people who came out of Egypt, all the men of war, had died in the wilderness on the way after they had come out of Egypt. Though all the people who came out had been circumcised, yet all the people who were born on the way in the wilderness after they had come out of Egypt had not been circumcised. For the people of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, until all the nation, the men of war who came out of Egypt, perished, because they did not obey the voice of the LORD; the LORD SWORE to them that he would not let them see the land that the LORD had sworn to their fathers to give to us, a land flowing with milk and honey. So it was their children, whom he raised up in their place, that Joshua circumcised. For they were uncircumcised, because they had not been circumcised on the way. When the circumcising of the whole nation was finished, they remained in their places in the camp until they were healed. And the LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away the reproach of Egypt from you." And so the name of that place is called Gilgal to this day. While the people of Israel were encamped at Gilgal, they kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the month in the evening on the

plains of Jericho. And the day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate of the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. And the manna ceased the day after they ate of the produce of the land. And there was no longer manna for the people of Israel, but they ate of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.

Psalm 34 *Benedicam Dominum*

- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- 2 I will glory in the Lord; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;
let us exalt his Name together.
- 4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.
- 5 Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.
- 7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.
- 8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The New Testament Lesson

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Gradual: Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured

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Then, all standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying,

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

People Glory to you Lord Christ.

Gospel

Luke 15:11-32

And he said, "There was a man who had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired

himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything. "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants."' And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate. "Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.' But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, 'Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

*After the Gospel, the Reader says
People*

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon – Bishop Eric Menees

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

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 and the Son,
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.

The Presentation, Exhortation and Examination

Only a bishop may confirm. The Bishop customarily sits in a chair in front of the Altar Table. The candidates and presenters stand facing the Bishop as their presenters say

Presenters Right Reverend Father in God, we present these persons to receive the laying on of hands.

Bishop Have they been adequately prepared?

Presenters They have.

The Bishop then shall say

Dearly beloved, it is essential that those who wish to be Confirmed or Received in this Church publicly confess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior; become his disciples; know and affirm the Nicene Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments; and have received instruction in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments and the Catechism of the Church. God's grace is imparted in baptism, through which we are made God's children by adoption and given the Holy Spirit. By the power of the Spirit, manifested in gifts and fruit, we are enabled to be God's people for the sake of the world.

Now, these candidates desire publicly to confess their faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and their commitment to follow him as Lord. They also desire the strengthening of grace through the laying on of hands that the Holy Spirit may fill them more and more for their ministry in the Church and in the world.

The Bishop then addresses the candidates

Do you, here in the presence of God and the Church, renew the

solemn promises and vows made at your Baptism and commit to keep them?

Candidates I do.

Bishop Do you renounce the Devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Candidates I renounce them.

Bishop Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Candidates I renounce them.

Bishop Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

Candidates I renounce them.

Bishop Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?

Candidates I do.

Bishop Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

Candidates I do.

Bishop Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life?

Candidates I will, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

The Congregation responds

We will.

Prayer and the Laying on of Hands

The Bishop stands and says

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we beseech you to strengthen these your servants for witness and ministry through the power of your Holy Spirit. Daily increase in them your manifold virtues of grace: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and true godliness, and the spirit of holy fear, now and for ever. *Amen.*

For Confirmation

Each confirmand kneels in front of the Bishop. The Bishop, then laying his hands upon the person's head, shall pray

Strengthen, O Lord, with your Holy Spirit, your servant N.; empower *him* for your service; and sustain *him* all the days of *his* life.

People Amen.

Concluding Prayer after the Laying on of Hands

The Bishop then says

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be upon these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Holy Word, that they may faithfully serve you in this life, and joyfully dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Peace is now exchanged

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And with your spirit.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements & Celebrations – See page 26

Need Prayer

Prayer is available during Holy Communion time in the prayer area and after the service at the altar rail. Look for someone in a red Healing Prayer Team prayer vest to pray with you.

Receiving Holy Communion

All baptized Christians are invited to come forward to receive Communion. If you choose not to receive, please indicate by crossing your arms and you will receive a blessing.

Offertory When I Survey the Wondrous Cross Page # 24

Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

The Sursum Corda

The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says

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| | The Lord be with you. |
| People | And with your spirit. |
| Celebrant | Lift up your hearts. |
| People | We lift them to the Lord. |

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is just and right so to do.

The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

The Celebrant concludes

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus (*Proulx*)

Celebrant and People

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

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The Prayer of Consecration

The People stand or kneel.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became

flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and here may break the bread; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated*

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it,* and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith. *(Celebrant and People)*

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, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy sacrament, and be made one

body with him, so that he may dwell in us and we in him. And bring us with all your saints into the fullness of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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 forever. Amen.

The Celebrant continues

The Lord's Prayer

The Celebrant then says

*And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to **pray**:*

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 Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said

Alleluias are omitted in Lent

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| Celebrant | Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us |
| People | Therefore let us keep the feast. |

In Lent, Alleluia is omitted, and may be omitted at other times except during Easter season.

The Prayer of Humble Access

Celebrant and People together may say

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, who always delights in showing mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Agnus Dei *Willan*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.

The following or some other suitable anthem may be sung or said here

The Ministration of Communion

Facing the People, the Celebrant may say the following invitation

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.]

or this

Celebrant

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the

world.

Celebrant

Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

John 1:29, Revelation 19:9 or this

Celebrant and People

Lord I am not worthy that you should come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

The Ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the People. The Bread and Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. [Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith, with thanksgiving.]

The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. [Drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for you, and be thankful.]

During the Ministration of Communion, hymns, psalms, or anthems may be sung

Communion: Draw Nigh and Take

The Celebrant may offer a sentence of Scripture at the conclusion of the Communion.

The Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People together

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus

Christ: and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now Father, send us out into the world to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives this or a seasonal blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his 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. Amen.

A hymn, psalm or anthem may be sung after the Blessing (or following the Dismissal).

Dismissal: Hail Thou Once Despised Jesus **Page # 25**

The Deacon, or the Priest, may dismiss the people with these words

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Joyful, Joyful, Robert Lau

Congratulation to our Confirmands
Anthony and Paula Velez

Welcome! Visitors

We are so pleased that you are here with us. Please fill out the “Communication Page” on the back cover and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher, and then join us for coffee in the Solarium after the service.

An Anglican Catechism

<http://www.anglicanchurch.net/?/main/catechis>

Question of the Week

What should be your attitude as you await Jesus' return?

Jesus taught that only the Father knows the actual day of his return. God patiently waits for many to repent and trust in him for new life; yet Jesus will return unexpectedly, and could return at any moment

Resources for families with children

We love having children worship with us at St James and are so glad you are here! Children of all ages are welcome to stay with their families for worship. **Sunday School is offered for children ages 4-13! We will meet before church from 12:30-1:15 each week in Rooms 5-6.**

We have children's bulletins in the back of the church for those who are interested. Nursery service is also available for infants and toddlers up to age 4, if you choose. If you are looking for some additional ideas on helping your child worship look for the brochure in the back titled Bringing Children to Worship. Whatever option you choose, we hope you experience the love of Christ as you worship with us today!

Volunteers needed

It takes a family to raise faithful disciples of Christ, and we need 2-3 more volunteers to help support our littlest members. Volunteers are needed in the nursery and Sunday School programs. If you can help, or are interested in finding out more details, please contact Paula Velez (559-389-8042 or kasadevelez@gmail.com).

Adult Forum

When: Sundays, 11:00 am to 12:00 noon

**Where: Mark & Wendy DeRaud's home at 1161 W. Celeste,
Fresno**

Mark DeRaud

The Art of Knowing

Donations for St. Stephen's Fund

When making donations for the St. Stephen's fund, please designate St. Stephen's Fund on the check memo line. The St. Stephen's Fund is replacing the Discretionary Fund. Thank you.

Requests for Assistance from St. Stephen's Fund

To request assistance from the Companions of St. Stephen's Fund, please call the church office at (559) 222-3721 during business hours or call Jeanine Werner at (559) 875-2465.

Daughters of the Holy Cross Prayer Box

The Daughters of the Holy Cross have a prayer box for your prayer requests. The Daughters will pray for you daily for one month or longer upon your request. Cover yourself in prayer by these servants of God. The prayer box is located right inside the door as you enter the church.

Widows in Christ

We meet the 1st Tuesday of the month
Fellowship and Prayer Support

For more information contact Dana Taylor 559-437-0971

If we walk in the light as HE is in the light, we have fellowship with one another.

1 John 7

Nepal Mission Needs:

A small seminary is being established at our headquarters in Kathmandu and books are needed for the students. If you have any of the following and would like to donate, please contact Peter Newton by April 13th at newton777@earthlink.net
1-volume commentaries, bible dictionaries (Baker, Ungers, etc), bible atlases, helpful commentaries (paperback?), Early Church history, Anglican Books, old BCP's, DVD-deries (Joyce Meyers, Beth Moore, etc), children's videos (Veggie Tales, Superbook,). Thank-you for your help!

Disciple's Fellowship – Sundays at 12:15 pm

at Campus Bible Church in Room 4.

We will be discussing the book on Discipleship

| <u>Birthdays</u> | <u>March 31-April 6</u> |
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| Linda Barnes | 31 |
| Susan Sanders | April 4 |
| Jennifer Babcock | 5 |
| Matt Cowart | 5 |
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| <u>Anniversaries</u> | |
| Fr. Dale & Sharon Matson | 6 |

ST. JAMES' CLERGY

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The Very Rev. Carlos L. Raines, Rector

The Rev. Dr. Dale Matson, Priest

The Rev. Anna Hearn, Deacon

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Carol Raines, Interim Music Facilitator

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| Armando Ruiz | 803-2249 |
| Margaret Polacek | 269-0743 |

Ministry Assignment

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| Rector's Warden |
| People's Warden/Pastoral Care |
| Missions |
| Evangelism/Hospitality |
| Transition/Ushers/Greeters |
| Children/Youth Ministry |
| Prayer Ministries |
| Church Treasurer |

St. James' Mission Statement

We will fulfill our Mission by focusing on:

1. Teaching the whole counsel of God through liturgical worship and devotion to prayer and praise.
2. Offering gifts and talents expressed in relationships.
3. Small Groups.
4. Building a relationship with Jesus Christ and each other.
5. Making disciples for outreach to the valley and to the world.
6. Caring ministries and Communion for those unable to attend.
7. Reaching out to youth.

Nursery- (0-4) is available throughout the worship service, although parents are encouraged to pick up their children after the peace for communion.

Saint James' Youth – St. James Youth 7pm-8:30pm at the home of Gary and Marian Facciani at 5289 N. Fisher Ave., Fresno, 93710. No meetings during June, July, & August. Periodic activities to be announced. If you need any information call Gary or Marian at 224-6022.

Prayer

- Prayer is available during Holy Communion in the prayer area and also after the service at the altar rail. Look for someone in the red Healing Prayer Team prayer vest to pray with you.
- Daughters of the Holy Cross prayer chain - Kathy Willson: 981-0513 or Valerie Norman-Shaul 299-9149

This Week at a Glance

Monday – Friday

8:00 am Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist

Tuesday:

6:00 pm – Choir Practice – Church Office

Wednesday:

7:00 pm – St. James' Men's Group – DeRaud's home
1161 W. Celeste Ave, Fresno 93711

Sons of the Father (*Healing the Father Wound in Men Today*)

7:00 pm – Boundaries (In All Relationships)
Meet at the home of Randy and Sue Hague
1239 E. San Jose, Fresno 93710

Thursday:

6:00 am Prayer and Praise – Church Office

6:00 pm Women's Bible Study

Sunday Services:

8:00 am – Church Office, 1300 E. Shaw Ave., #174, Fresno

11:00 am – Adult Forum at Mark & Wendy DeRaud's Home
1161 W. Celeste, Fresno 93711

1:30 pm – Campus Bible Church, 222 E. Fountain Way, Fresno

Visitors Welcome!

We are so pleased that you are here with us. Please fill out the "Communication Page" below and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher, and then join us for refreshments after the service. Please give us as much information as you care to share so that we can stay in contact with you:

COMMUNICATIONS PAGE

Date: _____

Name: _____ Birthday: _____

Spouse: _____ Birthday: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Email: _____

Is this your 1st visit ___ 2nd visit ___ 3rd visit ___ ?

I came as a guest of _____

Please indicate: Single ___ Married ___ Anniversary _____

Names/Birthdays of Children Living at Home: _____

Prayer Requests: _____

I want to sign up for a Small Group: _____

Note to Office: _____