

# SAINT JAMES' ANGLICAN CHURCH

Fresno, California

May 2, 2021

## *The Fifth Sunday of Easter*

1:30 pm Holy Eucharist Renewed Ancient



*On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.*

*Psalm 118:24*

# **St. James' Anglican Church**

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

## **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](http://www.stjas.org)

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

## **SCHEDULE**

### **SUNDAYS**

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.*

### **The Word of God**

**Prelude: O God Beyond All Praising,** Gustav Holst,  
*Setting by Anthony Giamanco*

**Humbly I Adore Thee,** *Traditional French Plainsong incorporating  
'Canon in D' by Johann Pachelbel, Setting by Robert Lau*

**The Day of Resurrection,**  
*Henry T. Smart, Setting by Brian Glyncannon*

### **Processional      Jesus Christ is Risen Today**

Jesus Christ is risen today,  
our triumphant holy day,  
who did once upon the cross,  
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing,  
unto Christ, our heavenly King,  
who endured the cross and grave,  
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured,  
our salvation have procured;  
now above the sky he's King,  
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above  
praise eternal as his love;  
praise him, all ye heavenly host,  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

*(1982 Hymnal)*

## **The Acclamation**

*The People standing, the Celebrant says this or a seasonal greeting.*

*The Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

## **The Collect for Purity**

*The Celebrant prays (and the people may be invited to join).*

*Celebrant:*

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.

## **The Summary of the Law**

*The Celebrant then reads the Summary of the Law*

### **Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:**

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

*Matthew 22:37-40*

### **Kyrie: (Merbecke)**

*The Celebrant and people may sing or pray together once or three times.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Gloria (Powell)*

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his 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.*

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you

*People* And with your spirit.

*Celebrant* Let us pray

**Collect of the Day**

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 glory; 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.*

**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**

**Acts 8:26-40**

Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place. And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over and join this chariot." So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with 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 before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

**Psalm 66:1-11** *Jubilate Deo*

- 1 Be joyful in God, all you lands; \*  
sing praises to the honor of his Name; make his praise to be  
glorious.
- 2 Say to God, "How wonderful are your works; \*  
through the greatness of your power shall your enemies cower  
before you.
- 3 For all the world shall worship you, \*  
sing to you, and praise your Name."
- 4 O come and see the works of God, \*  
how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.
- 5 He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the  
water on foot; \*  
therefore in him let us rejoice.
- 6 He rules with his power for ever; his eyes keep watch over the  
nations; \*  
let not the rebellious exalt themselves.
- 7 Bless our God, you peoples, \*  
and make the voice of his praise to be heard,
- 8 Who holds our soul in life, \*  
and does not allow our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us; \*  
you have tried us, as silver is tried.

- 10 You brought us into the snare \*  
and laid trouble upon our backs.
- 11 You allowed men to ride over our heads; we went through fire  
and water; \*  
but you brought us out into a place of plenty.

*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**

**1 John 3:11-24**

For this is the message that you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. We should not be like Cain, who was of the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother's righteous. Do not be surprised, brothers, that the world hates you. We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brothers. Whoever does not love abides in death. Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth. By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. Whoever



keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

**Gradual Spirit of the Living God**

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

**The Gospel**

**John 14:15-21**

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. “I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.”

**Sermon: Fr. Dale Matson**

**The 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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 Prayers of the People**

*After each bidding there is a time for the Clergy and People to add their own prayers, silently or aloud. The Celebrant says*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer."

*The Deacon or appointed person says*

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God, let us pray to the Lord. *Aloud or Silent*

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

For Foley, our Archbishop; and Eric, our Bishop; and for all the clergy and people of our diocese and congregation, for blessings upon Campus Bible Church and Pastor Jim Cecy, for the Lord to lead us in unity to the place He has for us, let us pray to the Lord. *Aloud or Silent*

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others, and for our missionaries and especially for Stephen, Peter and Sylvia, and Brad and Sue, let us pray to the Lord. *Aloud or Silent*

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith, let us pray to the Lord. *Aloud or Silent*

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority, for all in public service, and for Joe, our President; Gavin, our Governor; and Jerry, our mayor of Fresno and Jose, our mayor of Clovis, let us pray to the Lord. *Aloud or Silent*

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity [especially those on our Intercessory Prayer List,] let us pray to the Lord. *Aloud or Silent*

Intercessory Prayer List:

Rita Nitschke	Cancer	Judy Johnson	Cancer
Pr Arlynn Turnquist	Strength	Uma Chand	Cancer
Gladys Avakian	Healing	Dave Russell	Cancer
Suzy Gazlay	Strength & Healing	Prince King	Healing/Strength
Kathy Willson	Strength & Healing	Daughters of the Holy Cross	

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, [especially\_\_\_\_\_] in thanksgiving let us pray.

*Aloud or Silent*

Reader Lord in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer

I ask your thanksgivings for \_\_\_\_\_.

Reader Lord in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

*The Celebrant concludes with the following prayer*

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

## **The Confession and Absolution of Sin**

*The Deacon or other person appointed says the following*

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

*Silence*

*The Deacon and People kneel as able and pray*

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 Absolution**

*The Bishop or Priest stands and says*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **The Comfortable Words**

*The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying*

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Timothy 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2

## **The Peace**

Celebrant        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.*

## **The Offertory**

*The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with one of the provided sentences of Scripture.*

*The People stand while the offerings are presented.*

*If a doxology has not been sung, the following may be used.*

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## **Offertory Hymn:**

### **The Lamb's High Banquet**

The Lamb's high banquet called to share,  
arrayed in garments white and fair,  
the Red Sea past, we now would sing  
to Jesus our triumphant King.

Protected in the Paschal night  
from the destroying angel's might,  
in triumph went the ransomed free  
from Pharaoh's cruel tyranny.

Now Christ our Passover is slain,  
the Lamb of God without a stain;  
his flesh, the true unleavened bread,  
is freely offered in our stead.

O all-sufficient Sacrifice,  
beneath thee hell defeated lies;  
thy captive people are set free,  
and endless life restored in thee.

All praise be thine, O risen Lord,  
from death to endless life restored;  
all praise to God the Father be  
and Holy Ghost eternally.

*1982 Hymnal*

### 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.

### 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.*

### **The Sursum Corda**

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

Celebrant      The Lord be with you.

People          And with your spirit.

Celebrant      Lift up your hearts.

People          We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People          It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*The Celebrant continues*

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*The following or a Proper Preface is said.*

*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** (*Hurd*)

*Celebrant and People*

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.

*Celebrant and People*

**The Prayer of Consecration**

*The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues*

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 Jesus Christ 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, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy 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 then says*

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

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father in heaven, Holy is Your name;  
Your kingdom come, Your will be done  
On earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
As we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
And deliver us from evil,  
For the kingdom and the power  
And the glory are Yours, now and forever,  
Amen, amen, amen, amen, amen.

*Author unknown*

*Celebrant and People together say*

### **The Fraction**

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

Celebrant [Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us  
People Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]

*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, whose character is always to have 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** (*Hurd*)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us 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 and People*

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, The bread of heaven.

The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

*During the ministration of Communion, hymns, psalms, or anthems may be sung.*

### **Communion Music: Come With Us**

Come with us, O blessèd Jesus,  
with us evermore to be;  
and though leaving now thine altar,  
let us nevermore leave thee.  
Be thou one with us for ever,  
in our life thy love divine  
our own flesh and blood has taken,  
and to us thou givest thine.

Come with us, O mighty Savior,  
God from God, and Light from Light;  
thou art God, thy glory veiling,  
so that we may bear the sight.

Now we go to seek and serve thee,  
through our work as through our prayer;  
grant us light to see and know thee,  
in thy people everywhere.

Come with us, O King of glory,  
by angelic voices praised;  
in our hearts as in thy heaven,  
be enraptured anthems raised.  
Let the mighty chorus ever  
sing its glad exultant songs;  
let its hymn be heard for ever-  
peace for which creation longs

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*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. 1

And now Father, send us out 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                      Laudate Dominum**

Laudate Dominum, Laudate Dominum,

Omnes gentes, Alleluia!

*(Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, all nations, alleluia!)*

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

*Deacon*     Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia

*People*     Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia  
*or this*

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

*People*     Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

*From the Easter Vigil through the Day of Pentecost "Alleluia, alleluia" may be added to any of the dismissals.*

**Postlude:** The God of Abraham Praise,

*Traditional Synagogue Melody, Setting by Gordon Young*

## **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.

### **An Anglican Catechism**

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

#### **How is God’s will accomplished in heaven?**

The heavenly company of angels and perfected believers responds to God in perfect, willing obedience, and perfect worship.

*(Psalms 103:20; 104:4; 148:2)*

### **Seeking a Room for Rent**

Our brother and fellow St. James congregant, Tony Alvarado, is looking for a room to rent. If you or someone you know has a room, please contact Fr. Carlos at 559-978-1318 to discuss.

### **8:00 am Service Returning for a Season!**

The 8:00am service will resume starting on Sunday, May 9th in the office chapel. This service will be especially conducted with safety in mind. Masks will be worn by all persons in attendance, including clergy, even during preaching and celebrating and there will be no singing due to the limited chapel space. Hands will also be sanitized and so will communion rails. We hope to continue this service until we are in a new building and can move the entire church to a new morning service time. The 8:00am service will be in-person only (no livestream).

### **1:30 pm Service Reminder**

We continue to recommend the wearing of masks indoors at the 1:30 pm service. However, we cannot require them due to individual health concerns, the status of which is legally protected private information.

## **Ministries of Pastoral Care Conference**

For those who haven't attended the week-long Ministries of Pastoral Care (MPC) Conference, it is back once again and it is now on the west coast, July 25-30th. See the pamphlet in the Narthex for details.

## **Pentecost Vigil**

**When: Saturday May 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Time: 8 pm to Midnight**

**Where: Deacon Ted and Julie Thurber's  
8746 South Elm Avenue in Fresno, 93706.**

This vigil will be a joint effort between Our Lady of Guadalupe and Saint James, and will be comprised of a brief teaching, readings from Scripture, and times of prayer, praise and worship, silence, testimonies of thanksgiving, seeking the Spirit for healing and empowerment, and Eucharist. Please join us as we continue our yearlong celebration of the life of Christ as we rehearse and prepare for Pentecost, the outpouring of the Spirit.

## **Ushers and Tech Team Volunteers**

As we move indoors, we are seeking 1 or 2 more volunteers for ushers (once Sunday per month), and 2 tech team members to provide support (2 Sundays per month). "Many hands make light work" for all! Please pray, and if you get the nudge of the Holy Spirit to serve, email Christina at [christinapestana.stjas@gmail.com](mailto:christinapestana.stjas@gmail.com) or call her cell at 816-668-7023.

## **WANTED! A PLACE OF OUR OWN!**

We have been praying that God will provide us a place to gather and worship Him. As you go about your daily life be alert to locations or buildings that could serve our needs. (A place to seat 250, adequate parking, near freeway exit, likely to obtain conditional use permit for religious services.) If you see an interesting location, let us know by calling



the church office or email us. We have a realtor and also a search committee that would check it out. Church office: 559 222-3721 or Email: [stjasanglican@gmail.com](mailto:stjasanglican@gmail.com).

### **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.

#### **ST. JAMES' CLERGY**

The Rt. Rev. Eric Menees, Bishop

Fr. Carlos L. Raines, Rector

The Rev. Anthony Velez, Priest

The Rev. Dr. Dale Matson, Priest

The Rev. Anna Hearn, Deacon

#### **ST. JAMES' STAFF**

Dr. Margaret Licon, Organist and Choir Director

Carol Raines, Interim Music Facilitator

Christina Pestana, Parish Administrator

Mary K. Leonard/Susan Sanders, Office Assistants

## VESTRY MEMBERS

Chris Whitehead	908-2012	Rector's Warden
Armando Ruiz	803-2249	People's Warden
Edwin Ajaebo	307-3850	
John Bishop	785-7015	
Rachel Cowart	801-8408	
Pat Sanders	348-3183	
Margaret Polacek	269-0743	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.

## **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.

### **Wednesday:**

7:00 pm – Men's Group at Jerry Gorman's, 5419 E. Lane, Fresno 93727

6:00 pm – Women's Evening Prayer on ZOOM

### **Thursday:**

6:00 am – Prayer and Praise – Church Office Chapel

### **Sunday Services:**

1:30 pm – Campus Bible Church, 222 E. Fountain Way or Live Stream

Website: [stjas.org](http://stjas.org) or Facebook