

## Welcome to

# St. James' Episcopal Church, Clinton

## Sundays at 10:00 am Morning Prayer

## September 18, 2022

### **Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

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# **Morning Prayer**

Kathy Collett, Lay Worship Leader Patricia Jue, Lay Preacher

The St. James wardens and vestry determined that masking while inside the St. James building complex is highly recommended, but no longer required as of Monday, May 23. Masking is required when singing.

#### Prelude

#### Opening Hymn: "Ye servants of God"

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#### **Opening Sentences of Scripture**

*Leader:* Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2* 

Thus says the high and lofty One who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy, "I dwell in the high and holy place and also with the one who has a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble and to revive the heart of the contrite." *Isaiah* 57:15

#### Confession

*Leader:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All:Most merciful God,<br/>we confess that we have sinned against you<br/>in thought, word, and deed,<br/>by what we have done,<br/>and by what we have left undone.<br/>We have not loved you with our whole heart;<br/>we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.<br/>We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.<br/>For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,<br/>have mercy on us and forgive us;<br/>that we may delight in your will,<br/>and walk in your ways,<br/>to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on us,

Forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, Strengthen us in all goodness, And by the power of the Holy Spirit, Keep us in eternal life. Amen.

Leader:	Lord, open our lips.
All:	And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.
All:	Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

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#### Psalm 79: 1-9

1 O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance;
they have profaned your holy temple; *
they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.
2 They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the
air, * and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.
3 They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jerusalem, *
and there was no one to bury them.
4 We have become a reproach to our neighbors, *
an object of scorn and derision to those around us.
5 How long will you be angry, O Lord? *
will your fury blaze like fire for ever?
6 Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you *
and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your Name.
7 For they have devoured Jacob *
and made his dwelling a ruin.
8 Remember not our past sins;
let your compassion be swift to meet us; *
for we have been brought very low.
9 Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your Name; *
deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name's sake.

#### The Lessons

#### **First Reading**

#### Jeremiah 8: 18-9:1

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: "Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

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

#### Canticle: The First Song of Isaiah Ecce, Deus

Surely, it is God who saves me; \*

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, \*

and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing \*

from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, \*

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; \*

see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, \*

#### Isaiah 12:2-6

and this is known in all the world. Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, \* for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

### Second Reading

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For

there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,

Christ Jesus, himself human,

who gave himself a ransom for all

-- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

Gradual Hymn "There is a balm"

## Third Reading

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, `What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, `What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, `How much do you owe my master?' He answered, `A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, `Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, `And how much do you owe?' He replied, `A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, `Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the chil-

1 Timothy 2: 1-7

Luke 16: 1-13

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dren of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

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

#### Homily

Patricia Jue

#### The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### **The Prayers**

Please stand or kneel

Leader:	The Lord be with you.
All:	And also with you.
Leader:	Let us 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.

#### Suffrages

All:

Leader:	Show us your mercy, O Lord;
All:	And grant us your salvation.
Leader:	Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
All:	<b>Let your people sing with joy.</b>
Leader:	Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
All:	<b>For only in you can we live in safety.</b>
Leader:	Lord, keep this nation under your care;
All:	And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
Leader:	Let your way be known upon earth;
All:	<b>Your saving health among all nations.</b>
Leader:	Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
All:	Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
Leader:	Create in us clean hearts, O God;
All:	<b>And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.</b>

#### Collect for the Day

Leader:	The Lord be with you.
All:	And also with you.
Leader:	Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### A Collect for Sundays

*Leader:* O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### Intercessions p. 392 BCP Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. Silence Leader: For all people in their daily life and work; All For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone. Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world; All: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace. Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation; All: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression. Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; All For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy. Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God; All: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth. Leader: For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Dede our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers: All: For all who serve God in his Church. Leader: For the people of this land: that courage may triumph over fear, and love over hatred; that, in wrestling with the tragedies and complexities of our history, we may be brought to a renewed determination to honor the image of God in every person, especially those long neglected and marginalized; that we will resolve anew to build a just society for all God's people. Especially, we give thanks for the Onyota-a:ka, the ancestral stewards of the land on which we stand, and the

other tribes of the Haudenosaunee Confederation.

*All:* For the strength and grace to work with them to honor the earth and all living things as gifts from the Creator.

- *Leader:* For the community of Highland Park, IL, and for all areas in our nation suffering recent gun violence. For God's healing of a nation divided; for hope to the desperate, forbearance and love to our homes, safe sanctuary to places of learning and worship, respect and justice to places of work, and God's presence where we walk and play.
- *All:* For strength and support to all who strive to find shared cause in preventing gun violence.
- *Leader:* For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

- *Leader:* Almighty God, you know the needs of your Church in every place: look graciously upon us, the people of St. James, and grant us the guidance of your Holy Spirit as we seek a new Rector for this parish. Give us discernment, wisdom, and confidence in your timing. Guide the members of our Search Committee, as they labor to be faithful in seeking your will.
- *All:* **For you are the source of all wisdom.**
- *Leader:* We pray for the life of our parish, that we may continue to be strengthened in our mission to be Jesus Christ's heart, hands, and feet to our neighbors no matter where they are on their journey of faith. Bless us with mutual trust and respect, courage, and foresight as you shepherd our community through its journey. Grace us with continuous direction and inspire us toward genuine self-reflection.

#### *All:* For only in you, can we find our hope.

*Leader:* For Will, Merle, Elaine, Tom, Margaret, Bob, Mary Alice, Ronnie and George, Robin, Jim, Karen, Jon and Judy, Kristin, Charlotte, Joe D., Virginia, Emory, Lori, Nancy M., Eugene, Hank, David, Danilo, Mike and his children, Ardilah and Ismanah, Alistair, Ephraim, Marion, Jack, the Baldwin family, Sue, and the people of Ukraine, Yeman, Tigray and the Sahel. Hear us, Lord;
 *All:* For your mercy is great.

*Leader:* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

All:	We will exalt you, O God our King; And praise your Name for ever and ever.
Leader:	We pray for all who have died, especially David Burns, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
	Silence
	The People may add their own petitions
All:	Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; <b>Who put their trust in you.</b>
	The People may add their own petitions.
Leader:	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. <b>Amen.</b>
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Leader:	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All:	And also with you.

#### Announcements

## The General Thanksgiving

All:	Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
	we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
	for all your goodness and loving-kindness
	to us and to all whom you have made.
	We bless you for our creation, preservation,
	and all the blessings of this life;
	but above all for your immeasurable love
	in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
	for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
	And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
	that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
	not only with our lips, but in our lives,
	by giving up our selves to your service,
	and by walking before you
	in holiness and righteousness all our days;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

#### A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

- *Leader:* Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen**.
- *Leader:* Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen. *Ephesians* 3:20,21

#### Blessing

Leader:	Life is short,
	And we do not have much time
	to gladden the hearts of those who
	make the journey with us.
	So be swift to love,
	and make haste to be kind.
	And the blessing of God,
	who made us,
	who loves us,
	and who travels with us
	be with you now and forever. Amen.

Recessional Hymn "Praise, my soul"

#### Dismissal

Leader:	Let us bless the Lord.
All:	Thanks be to God.

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A special Thank-You to everyone who participated in our services this weekend:

Lay Worship Leader	Kathy Collett	
Lay Preacher	Patricia Jue	
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Material for today's liturgy and worship is from the *Book of Common Prayer* and *The Hymnal* 1982.

The prayer for the parish and the search committee as we search for a new rector is adapted from St. Martin-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church, Keller, TX. <u>https://</u><u>www.stmartininthefields.org/archive/prayer-as-we-search-for-a-new-rector-2/</u>

The prayers for the people of this land is from the ongoing work of Bishop DeDe Duncan Probe and members of the Haudenosaunee Confederation, <u>https://cnyepiscopal.org/2021/11/convention-153-worship-</u>

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In our parishes, we pray for the people of St. David's Episcopal Church in Barneveld and their pastor, the Rev. Naomi Sorrwar-Randall, and the people of Christ Episcopal Church in Binghamton.

In our Companion Diocese of El Salvador, we pray for the people of San Mateo in Lourdes and their priest, the Rev. Irma Alvarado, and their postulant, Vilma Landaverde.

In The Episcopal Church, we pray for the people of the Diocese of Wyoming and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Paul-Gordon Chandler.

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people of Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil and their prime bishop, the Most Rev. Naudal Alves Gomes.

### Announcements

Welcome to St. James' Episcopal Church, Clinton NY. If you are a visitor, please sign our guest book in the back of the church. We hold worship services each week Saturdays 4:00 pm and Sundays 9:30 am either Holy Eucharist as a hybrid service (in- person and by Zoom, or Evening/Morning Prayer by Zoom only. Check our website, stjamesclinton.org for our schedule. Youare welcome to join us for worship at any time.

The Clinton Area Ministerium will lead a Blessing of the Pets service on Sunday, October 2 at 1:00 pm. The service will be held at the gazebo on the Village Green. Bring your pet and a pet food or supply donation for the Country Pantry!

# This Week at St. James

Sat. Sept. 17	4:00 p.m.	hybrid Evening Prayer service
Sun., Sept. 18	10:00 a.m.	hybrid Morning Prayer service
	6:30 p.m.	Tapestry rehearsal
Mon., Sept. 19	9:00 a.m.	St. James' Day School
	4:45 p.m.	Zumba with Helen Dick
	6:15 p.m.	R. Murray Painting Group
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Spirituality
Tues., Sept. 20	9:00 a.m.	St. James' Day School
	7:00 p.m.	AA meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Group (virtual)
Wed., Sept. 21	9:00 a.m.	St. James' Day School
	4:45 pm.	Zumba with Helen Dick
	7:00 p.m.	Vestry meeting (virtual)
Thurs., Sept. 22	9:00 a.m.	St. James' Day School
	7:00 p.m.	Women of Grace
Fri., Sept. 23	9:00 a.m.	St. James' Day School
Sat., Sept. 24	4:00 p.m.	hybrid Holy Eucharist service
Sun., Sept. 25	10:00 a.m.	hybrid Holy Eucharist service

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