#### ST. JAMES THE ELDER

July 25, 2021

#### *ANNOUNCEMENTS*

#### OPENING HYMN 662 Onward, Christian Soldiers

1. Onward Christian Soldiers, Marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus Going on before. Christ, the royal master, Leads against the foe; Forward into battle See His Banners go! *Refrain* 

Refrain Onward, Christian soldiers, Marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus Going on before.

- 2. Like a mighty army Moves the Church of God; Brothers, we are treading Where the saints have trod. We are not divided, All one body we, One in hope and doctrine, One in Charity. *Refrain*
- 3. Crowns and thrones may perish, Kingdoms rise and wane But the Church of Jesus Constant will remain. Gates of hell can never 'Gainst that Church prevail; We have Christ's own promise, And that cannot fail. *Refrain*
- 4. Onward, then, ye faithful, Join our happy throng, Blend with ours your voices In the triumph song: Glory, laud, and honor Unto Christ, the king; This through countless ages Men and angels sing. *Refrain*

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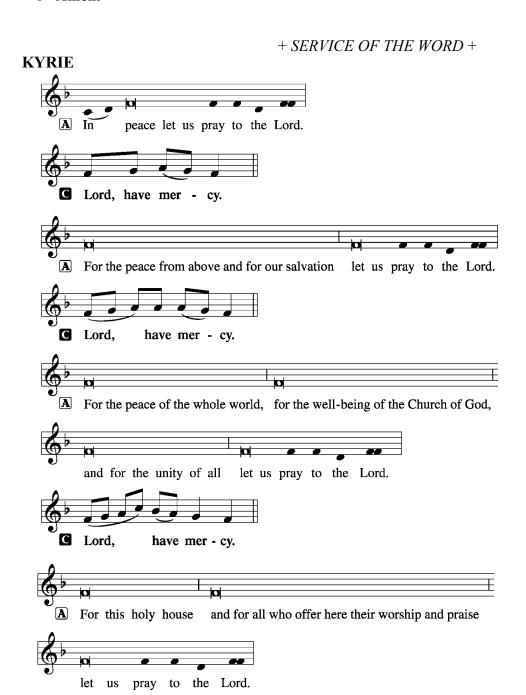
#### + CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

#### Stand

- P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.





# **SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY**





P Let us pray.

O gracious God, Your servant and apostle James was the first among the Twelve to suffer martyrdom for the name of Jesus Christ. Pour out upon the leaders of Your Church that spirit of self-denying service that they may forsake all false and passing allurements and follow Christ alone, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

# **FIRST READING** Acts 11: 27 - 12:5 (ESV pg. 920)

Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them named Agabus stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world (this took place in the days of Claudius). So the disciples determined, everyone according to his ability, to send relief to the brothers living in Judea. And they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul. About that time Herod the king laid violent hands on some who belonged to the church. He killed James the brother of John with the sword, and when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread. And when he had seized him, he put him in prison, delivering him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out to the people. So Peter was kept in prison, but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM** 56: 1-13 (ESV pg. 476, spoken responsively)

- P Be gracious to me, O God, for man tramples on me; all day long an attacker oppresses me;
- C my enemies trample on me all day long for many attack me proudly.
- P When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.
- C In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me?
- P All day long they injure my cause; all their thoughts are against me for evil.
- C They stir up strife, they lurk; they watch my steps, as they have waited for my life.
- P For their crime will they escape? In wrath cast down the peoples, O God!
- C You have kept count of my tossings; put my tears in your bottle. Are they not in your book?
- P Then my enemies will turn back in the day when I call. This I know, that God is for me.
- C In God, whose word I praise, in the LORD, whose word I praise,
- P in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can man do to me?
- C I must perform my vows to you, O God; I will render thank offerings to you.
- P For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of life.

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

#### **EPISTLE** Romans 8: 28-39 (*ESV pg. 944*)

We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand

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#### HOLY GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter. (vs. 35-45 ESV pg. 846)



And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to [Jesus] and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



#### NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

# HYMN OF THE DAY 518 By All Your Saints in Warfare

- By all Your saints in warfare, For all Your saints at rest, Your holy name, O Jesus, Forevermore be blest! For You have won the battle That they might wear the crown; And now they shine in glory Reflected from Your throne.
- 21 O Lord, for James we praise You, Who fell to Herod's sword; He drank the cup of suff'ring And thus fulfilled Your word. Lord, curb our vain impatience For glory and for fame, Equip us for such suff'rings As glorify Your name.
- Then let us praise the Father And worship God the Son And sing to God the Spirit, Eternal Three in One, Till all the ransomed number Fall down before the throne, Ascribing pow'r and glory And praise to God alone.

#### **SERMON**

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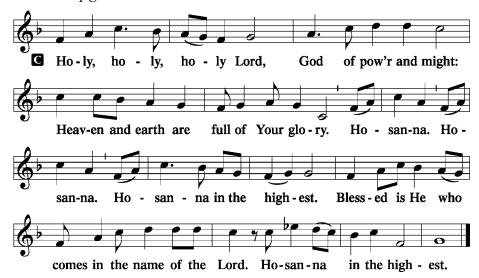


# PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +



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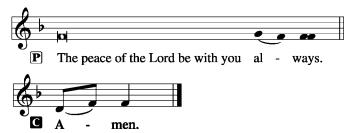


## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

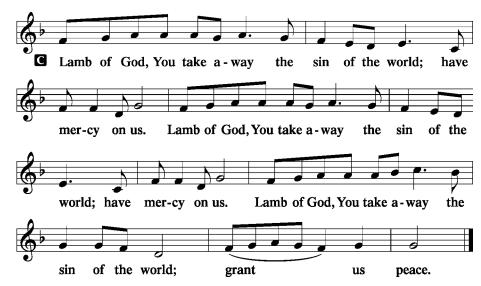
# LORD'S PRAYER

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

# PAX DOMINI pg. 163



## **AGNUS DEI**



#### **DISTRIBUTION**

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS 837 Lift High the Cross

Refrain Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name.

- 1 Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod, Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. *Refrain*
- 2 Led on their way by this triumphant sign, The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine. *Refrain*
- All newborn soldiers of the Crucified Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died. *Refrain*
- 4 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee. *Refrain*

## 643 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

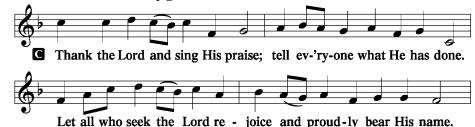
- 1 Sent forth by God's blessing, Our true faith confessing, The people of God from His dwelling take leave. The Supper is ended. O now be extended The fruits of this service in all who believe. The seed of His teaching, Receptive souls reaching, Shall blossom in action for God and for all. His grace did invite us, His love shall unite us To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.
- With praise and thanksgiving To God ever-living,
  The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.
  Our faith ever sharing, In love ever caring,
  Embracing His children of each tribe and race.
  With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;
  Unite us as one in this life that we share.
  Then may all the living With praise and thanksgiving
  Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

#### Stand

#### **DISMISSAL**

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.
- C Amen.

# THANK THE LORD pg 164





## **Post-Communion Collect**

P Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

# **Benediction** pg. 166



P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



# **CLOSING HYMN** 837 Lift High the Cross

Refrain Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name.

- 5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. *Refrain*
- 6 So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain*

SILENT PRAYER

Next Week's Lessons

10th Sunday after Pentecost

Exodus 16: 2-15

Psalm 145: 10-21

Ephesians 4: 1-16

John 6: 22-35