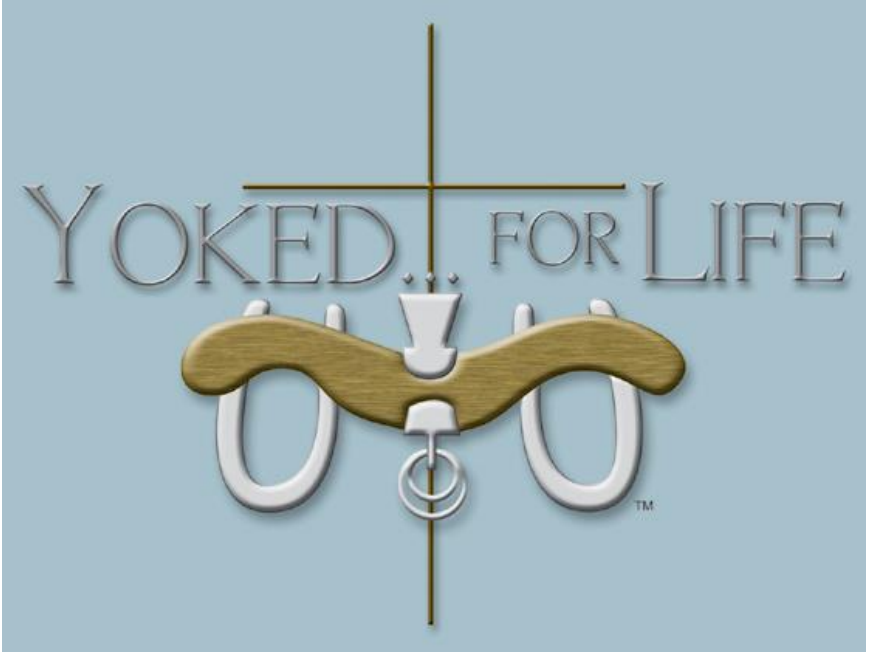


Grow....Go....Gather
July 5, 2020



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The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
"Welcome Back Sunday!"
July 5, 2020

The Order of Service (DS 1 p. 151ff.)

The Call to Worship

An Organ Prelude

The Welcome

The Opening Hymn: LSB 901 "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"



1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty; Zi - on, let me
2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore Thee; Come Thou al - so
3 Here Thy praise is glad - ly chant - ed; Here Thy seed is
4 Thou my faith in - crease and quick - en; Let me keep Thy
5 Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee; Let Thy will be



en - ter there, Where my soul in joy - ful du - ty
un - to me. Where we find Thee and a - dore Thee,
du - ly sown. Let my soul, where it is plant - ed,
gift di - vine, How - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thick - en;
done in - deed. May I un - dis - turbed draw near Thee



Waits for Him who an - swers prayer. Oh, how bless - ed
There a heav'n on earth must be. To my heart, O
Bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone, So that all I
May Thy Word still o'er me shine As my guid - ing
While Thou dost Thy peo - ple feed. Here of life the



is this place, Filled with sol - ace, light, and grace!
en - ter Thou; Let it be Thy tem - ple now!
hear may be Fruit - ful un - to life in me.
star through life, As my com - fort in all strife.
foun - tain flows; Here is balm for all our woes.

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Invocation *LSB 151*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the
✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

Exhortation

- 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.**

Confession of Sins

LSB 151

- 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.**

Absolution

LSB 151

- 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.

This is the Feast *LSB 155*


Refrain




C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb ——— who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Salutation and Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

✠ The Scripture Readings ✠

The Epistle

Romans 7:14–25a

We know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I

am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?
Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 11:25–30

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew,
the eleventh chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

The Apostles' Creed

**C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sits at the
right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

The Sermon Hymn: "10,000 Reasons" (Myrin/Redman)

Chorus

***Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name***

Verse 1

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Chorus

Verse 2

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

Chorus

Verse 3

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Chorus 2

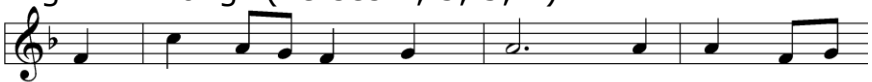
Chorus 2

***Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name
Worship Your holy name
Lord I'll worship Your holy name***

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The Sermon

The Post-Sermon Hymn: LSB 813 "Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng" (verses 1, 3, 5, 7)



1 Re - joice, O pil - grim throng! Re - joice, give
3 With all the an - gel choirs, With all the
5 Still lift your stan - dard high, Still march in
△ 7 Praise Him who reigns on high, The Lord whom

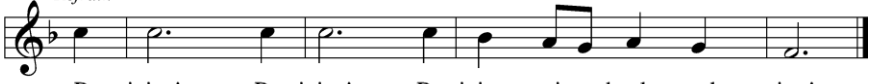


thanks, and sing; Your fes - tal ban - ner
saints on earth Pour out the strains of
firm ar - ray, As pil - grims through
we a - dore: The Fa - ther, Son, and



wave on high, The cross of Christ your king.
 joy and bliss, True rap - ture, no - blest mirth.
 dark - ness wend Till dawns the gold - en day.
 Ho - ly Ghost, One God for - ev - er - more.

Refrain



Re - jice! Re - jice! Re - jice, give thanks, and sing!

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The Offering

The General Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

**☩ 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
 forever and ever. Amen.**



A Hymn: LSB 801, "How Great Thou Art" (verses 1, 3, 4)



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der Con - sid - er
 3 But when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me



all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might - y
 die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my bur - den glad - ly
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;
 bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin;
 ra - tion And there pro - claim: "My God, how great Thou art!"



Refrain
 Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee, How great Thou



art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

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(Dismissal of Facebook Live Worshippers)

✠ The Service of the Sacrament ✠

The Prayer of Thanksgiving *LSB 161*

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive

the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Institution

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Proclamation of Christ

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

The Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

The Distribution

The Post-Communion Prayer

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Benediction

- 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.
- C Amen.**

The Closing Hymn: LSB 699, "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" (But sung to the tune in TLH 277)

- 1 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Come unto Me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon My breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
So weary, worn, and sad;
I found in Him a resting place,
And He has made me glad.
- 2 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one,
Stoop down and drink and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in Him.
- 3 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"I am this dark world's light.
Look unto Me; thy morn shall rise
And all thy day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In Him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk
Till trav'ling days are done.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Events of the Week: July 5 to July 12, 2020

TODAY: 9:30 a.m. Worship w/ Holy Communion at St. James
(for registered members) and on Facebook
Live

11:00 a.m. Bible study w/ Pastor on Facebook Live

Monday: 10:00 a.m. Registration for July 12 Worship begins

7:00 p.m. Council Meeting on ZOOM

**Friday: 12:00 Noon Registration closes for phone-in
Worship registration.**

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast on ZOOM

6:00 p.m. Registration for Worship is closed

**Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship at St. James (for registered
members) and on Facebook Live**

11:00 a.m. Bible Study w/ Pastor on Facebook Live

July Altar Guild: Phyllis Schultz and Jeanne Kerr



**Disinfecting Wipes
are still needed!**

****Scent free if possible****

FINANCIAL DISCIPLESHIP (June 28, 2020)

Offering

General Fund	\$3,935.00
Plate Collection	400.00
Roof Repair Fund	75.00
ISJ Academy	300.00
Social Ministry	100.00
Tessaró Ministry – Nigeria	25.00
Memorial	40.00
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Total:	\$4,875.00



It is important to register every week.

In order to register for the 9:30 a.m. worship service, please go to the St. James Eventbrite page: bit.ly/stjamesgr

1. Go to bit.ly/stjamesgr
2. Click on the worship service you wish to attend. Exp. **Worship Service – July 5th 9:30 am**
3. Click on the green **“register”** box.
4. Put in the **number attending**.
5. Click on the orange **“register”** box.
6. Enter **your first name** and all the **first names** of those attending with you. Enter **only your last name, e-mail address and confirm e-mail address**.
7. Click on the orange **“register”** box.
8. Your ticket(s) will arrive in your e-mail inbox confirming your sign-up.

Each person planning to attend the worship service will need to have their own ticket. For example: a family of four will need to register for four tickets. (*Add all first names of those attending to the “First Name” prompt box when registering.*)

Once a worship service has reached capacity (75), the event will be closed, and no further registrations will be accepted.

If you do not have access to the internet, contact the church office (616-363-7718) to register. (*Note the office is closed on Saturday. Please call before noon on Friday.*)

We strongly urge you to wear a mask when entering the church and when walking in the halls.



The Deadline for the August newsletter is **July 20th**.

Any group or organization that has a meeting/event during August, contact the office to get your meeting date, time & location on the calendar.

NEWSLETTER FUN!

The question for the month of August is:

“What did you do for the 4th of July?”

Was it backyard fireworks, a BBQ, an out-of-town adventure, a patriotic act, an age-old family tradition.....the start of a new tradition?

Share your thoughts and experiences with us by e-mailing the office at: office@stjamesgr.com.

Read your August newsletter for the results.

Reminder: The **deadline is July 20th**.

