

# Welcome to St. John's Church



*The Holy Trinity, Pierre Mignard, 1612-1695*

## **The First Sunday after Pentecost: TRINITY SUNDAY**

*June 15, 2025*

*8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.*

**ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## Choral Prelude

*Duo Seraphim Clamabat (3 settings)*

Richard Dering (c.1580-1630), Giovanni Croce (1577-1609), Simone Molinaro (1565-1634)

Text: *Two seraphim cried to one another: Holy is the Lord God of Sabaoth. The whole earth is full of his glory. There are three who bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit: and these three are one. Holy is the Lord God of Sabaoth. The whole earth is full of his glory.*

## The Call to Worship with the tolling of the church bell

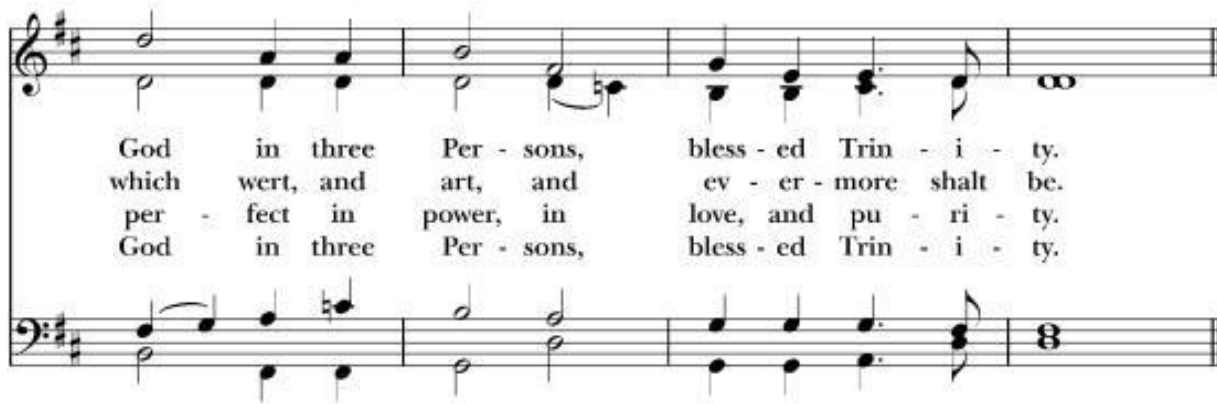
### Opening Hymn # 362

*Holy, Holy, Holy!*

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
\*2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:  
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,  
All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,  
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,



*The people standing, the Celebrant may say*

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* ***And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

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 Gloria** *Missa Ascendens Christus* Tomás Luis de Victoria (c.1548-1611)

*Text:* *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,*

### **The Collect of the Day**

God be with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this

faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## **The Readings**

*INTRODUCTION: In our first reading, Wisdom is an attribute of God present from the beginning of the ages and before creation.*

### **A Reading from the Scroll of Proverbs (8:1-4, 22-31)**

Does not wisdom call,  
and does not understanding raise her voice?

On the heights, beside the way,  
at the crossroads she takes her stand;  
beside the gates in front of the town,  
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

“To you, O people, I call,  
and my cry is to all that live.

The Lord created me at the beginning of his work,  
the first of his acts of long ago.

Ages ago I was set up,  
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

When there were no depths I was brought forth,  
when there were no springs abounding with water.

Before the mountains had been shaped,  
before the hills, I was brought forth--  
when he had not yet made earth and fields,  
or the world's first bits of soil.

When he established the heavens, I was there,  
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,  
when he made firm the skies above,  
when he established the fountains of the deep,  
when he assigned to the sea its limit,  
so that the waters might not transgress his command,  
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,  
then I was beside him, like a master worker;  
and I was daily his delight,  
rejoicing before him always,  
rejoicing in his inhabited world  
and delighting in the human race.”

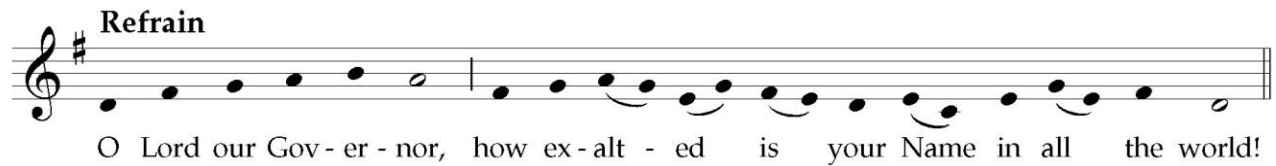
The Word of the Lord.

*People*

***Thanks be to God.***

## Psalm # 8

*the congregation is invited to join in the Refrain*



- 1 O Lord our Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children \*  
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, \*  
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, \*  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? \*  
the son of man that you should seek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; \*  
you adorn him with glory and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; \*  
you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen, \*  
even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, \*  
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O Lord our Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

*INTRODUCTION: In this New Testament reading, Paul bids disciples to rejoice in the reconciliation and hope which are theirs because of the sacrifice of Christ on behalf of sinners.*

### **A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans (5:1-5)**

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

**Gradual Hymn # 365**

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy Name to sing,  
2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, by heaven and earth a - dored;  
3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear  
4 To Thee, great One in Three, the high - est prais - es be,  
help us to praise. Fa - ther whose love un-known all things cre-  
our prayer at - tend: come, and thy peo - ple bless; come, give thy  
in this glad hour: thou, who al - might - y art, now rule in  
hence ev - er - more; thy sov - ereign ma - jes - ty may we in  
at - ed own, build in our hearts thy throne, An - cient of Days.  
word suc - cess; stab - lish thy right - eous - ness, Sa - vior and friend.  
ev - ery heart, and ne'er from us de - part, Spi - rit of power.  
glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

*INTRODUCTION: In our Gospel this morning, Jesus promises to his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit who will guide them into all truth.*

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to St. John (16:12-15)**

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said to the disciples, "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and

he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**The Sermon**

The Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Hahneman, Rector

**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 (filioque clause underlined).*

*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**

Let us offer our prayers in the Name of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, responding to each petition, "Hear us, O blessed Trinity."

**The congregation may wish to sit or kneel for the prayers**

+ Creator of the universe, and all that dwells in the seas, and skies, and all creatures who inhabit the earth, help us to guard your holy treasures and to delight in all that you have made; let us pray.

***Hear us, O blessed Trinity.***

+ Word of truth, open our hearts to receive your message as it is revealed through holy scripture, the witness of your Church, and in the minds and hearts of your faithful people; let us pray.

***Hear us, O blessed Trinity.***

+ Spirit of life, strengthen us to reveal the fruits of the kingdom through the actions of our daily lives and witness; let us pray.

***Hear us, O blessed Trinity.***

+ Architect of all that is seen and unseen, may we rebuild the world in peace, and give to each other the good gifts which you bestowed in creation; let us pray.

***Hear us, O blessed Trinity.***

+ Incarnate One, help us to offer your grace throughout the world, bringing people of every language, nation, and tribe into the baptismal waters of your saving love; let us pray.

***Hear us, O blessed Trinity.***

+ Wisdom from on high, descend upon your faithful people, that our voices and actions may echo your hope for humanity; let us pray.

***Hear us, O blessed Trinity.***

Gathered on this holy Sabbath, day of rest and praise, joy and worship; we continue our prayers now, either aloud in our midst, or silently in our hearts.

O God of peace, who hast taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and in confidence shall be our strength: By the might of thy Spirit lift us, we pray thee, to thy presence, where we may be still and know that thou art God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

### **Confession of Sin**

*The Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**The congregation may wish to sit or kneel for the confession**

***God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.***

May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, but also time for true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. ***Amen.***

**The Peace**                      The peace of God be always with you.  
People                      ***And also with you.***

### **The Holy Communion**

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,  
an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

**Offertory**                      *Missa Ascendens Christus*      Tomás Luis de Victoria (c.1548-1611)  
Text:                      *Trinity all-holy; Unity unchanging;  
Goodness unbounded; very God of heaven;  
Light of the Angels; Refuge of the friendless;  
Hope universal.  
All thy works hymn thee; all thy Saints adore thee;  
They for thy pleasure are, and were created;  
Now while we also worship thee devoutly,  
Hear thou our voices.  
Thine be the glory, Deity Almighty,  
One in Three Persons, Monarch in the highest;  
Glory and honour, song and praise beseem thee  
Now and forever. Amen.*

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

God be with you.  
People                      ***And also with you.***  
Celebrant                      Lift up your hearts.  
People                      ***We lift them to the Lord.***  
Celebrant                      Let us give thanks to the Lord God.  
People                      ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being: and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and

of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**The congregation may wish to sit or kneel for the consecration prayer**

**Sanctus**      *Missa Ascendens Christus*      Tomás Luis de Victoria (c.1548-1611)

Translation:      *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.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

***We remember his death,***

***We proclaim his resurrection,***

***We await his coming in glory;***

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, St. John, our Patron, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 for ever. **AMEN.**

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

***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 Breaking of the Bread S # 154**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*This setting is not used in Lent.*

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

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

there - fore let us keep the feast.

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

### **Agnus Dei Missa Ascendens Christus Tomás Luis de Victoria (c.1548-1611)**

*Text: 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.*

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says 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.

***All baptized Christians of all ages and denominations are welcome to receive Communion in this place. This is God's house and the Lord's table, not ours***

*INSTRUCTIONS: Those wishing to receive Communion should come forward to the Altar rail as directed. Please speak with an Usher if you need to receive Communion in the pew. The consecrated wafer will be placed in the hands or upon the tongue of the recipient, as desired. If one wishes intinction, then either the chalice bearer or the communicant may take the wafer and dip it in the wine. Otherwise, communicants may sip from the chalice, assisting by taking hold of its base. If the communicant does not wish to receive the wine, one can simply cross their arms across their chest so to indicate.*

*Gluten free wafers are available. Just ask at the altar rail if you wish one.*

**Communion Hymn # 314**      *Humbly I Adore Thee, Verity Unseen*

1 Hum - bly I a - dore thee, Ver - i - ty un - seen,  
2 Taste and touch and vi - sion to dis - cern thee fail;  
3 O me - mo - rial won - drous of the Lord's own death;  
4 Je - sus, whom now hid - den, I by faith be - hold,  
who thy glo - ry hid - est 'neath these sha - dows mean;  
faith, that comes by hear - ing, pierc - es through the veil.  
liv - ing Bread that giv - est all thy crea - tures breath,  
what my soul doth long for, that thy word fore - told:  
lo, to thee sur - ren - dered, my whole heart is bowed,  
I be - lieve what - e'er the Son of God hath told;  
grant my spi - rit ev - er by thy life may live,  
face to face thy splen - dor, I at last shall see,  
tranced as it be - holds thee, shrined with - in the cloud.  
what the Truth hath spo - ken, that for truth I hold.  
to my taste thy sweet - ness nev - er - fail - ing give.  
in the glo - rious vi - sion, bless - ed Lord, of thee.

## Communion Anthem

## Deep River

Spiritual, arr. Tom Brand

Text: *Deep River, my home is over Jordan.  
Deep River, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.  
Oh, don't you want to go to that Gospel Feast -  
That Promised Land where all is peace.*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

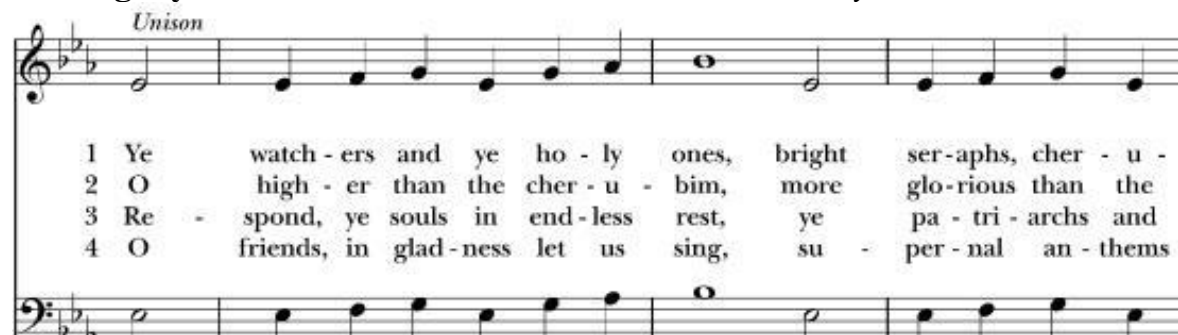
***Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

The peace of God, which surpasses 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.***

## Closing Hymn # 618

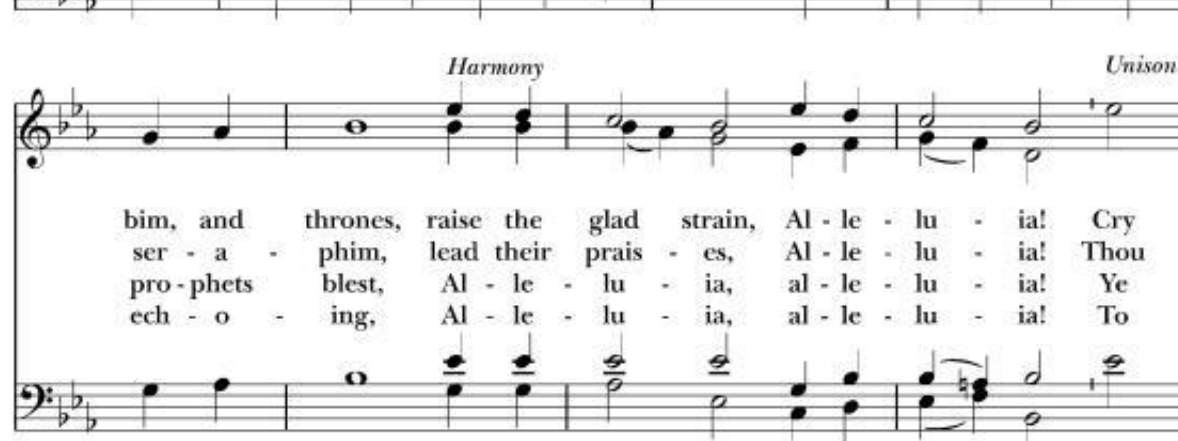
## Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

*Unison*



1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser - a - phs, cher - u -  
2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the  
3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and  
4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

*Harmony*



bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry  
ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou  
pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye  
ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To

*Unison*

out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'  
 bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the  
 ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the  
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

*Harmony*

choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

*Unison*

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*People*

***Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.***

**Choral Postlude:** *Blessing*

Katie Moran Bart

Text:.

*May the road rise up to meet you,  
 May the wind be always at your back.  
 May the sun shine warm upon your face,  
 And the rains fall soft upon your fields.  
 Until we meet again,  
 May God hold you in the palm of his hand.*

**Worship Ministers Today:**

*Celebrant & Preacher:* The Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Hahneman

*Organist & Choirmaster:* Tom Brand

*8:00 Reader:* Jay Bauer

*10:00 Reader:* Rebecca Bent

*Chalicer:* Rebecca Bent

*Veejay (VJ):* Laura Daly

*Altar Guild:* MB Witt, Corrine Johnson

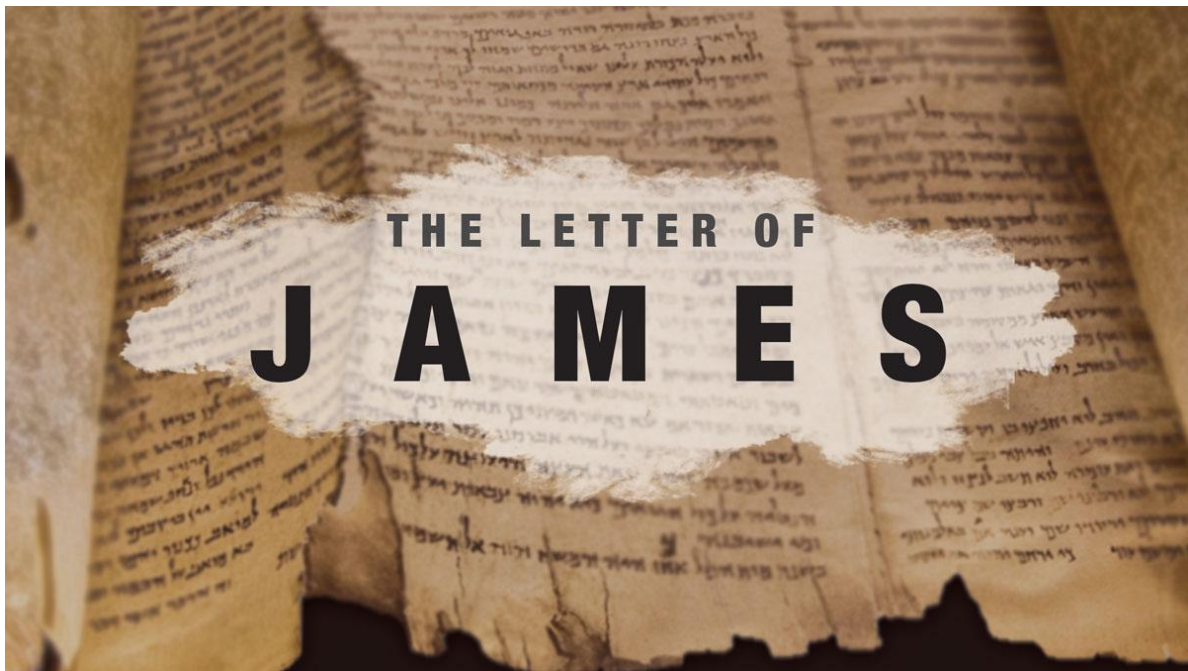
*Ushers:* Bob Futh, Natalie Dyer

*Coffee Hour:* Mary Davis

# **ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

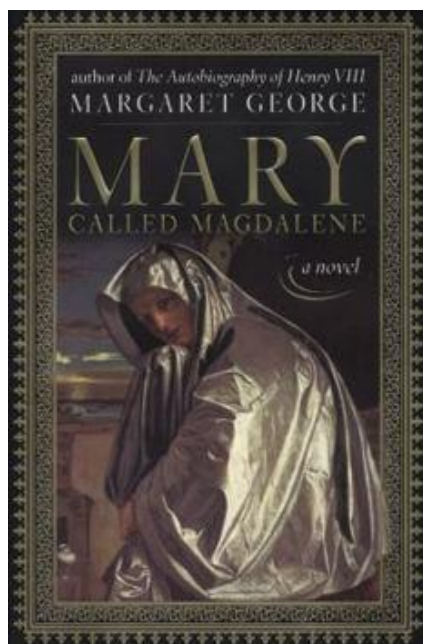
## **“The Epistle of St. James”**

*Fridays, 10:30 a.m.  
in the Parish Library*



Fr. Geoff, our Rector, is leading a serious weekly study of the Christian Bible. *The class is open to all interested persons in the community.* BYOB, bring your own Bible!

## ST. JOHN'S READING CLUB



### CURRENT SELECTION

Margaret George's *"Mary, Called Magdalene"*

*to gather after 10:00 Coffee Hour, Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup>*

**start reading now!**

The New York Times bestselling author reveals the untold story of Mary Magdalene -- a disciple of Jesus and the most mysterious woman in the Bible. Was Mary Magdalene a prostitute, a female divinity figure, a church leader, or all of those? Biblical references to her are tantalizingly brief, but we do know that she was the first person to whom the risen Christ appeared -- and the one commissioned to tell others the good news, earning her the ancient honorific, "Apostle to the Apostles." Today, Mary continues to spark controversy, curiosity, and veneration. In a vivid re-creation of Mary Magdalene's life story, Margaret George convincingly captures this renowned woman's voice as she moves from girlhood to womanhood, becomes part of the circle of disciples, and comes to grips with the divine. While grounded in biblical scholarship and secular research, *Mary, Called Magdalene* ultimately transcends both history and fiction to become a 'diary of a soul.'

*The St. John's Reading Club welcomes any and all interested readers.*