



Clergy

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Visits - If you know of someone in this Parish who is sick or shut-in and would like a visit, please let us know! Rev Wendy would love to visit.

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St. James Anglican Church
January 29, 2023
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
Service of Holy Eucharist. BAS

Opening Hymn Lift High The Cross RB - 321

The Grace

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant: Almighty God,

People: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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

Glory to God

Celebrant: Glory to God in the highest,

People: 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 Collect for the Day

(Together): Living God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

First Reading: Micah 6: 1-8

Psalm 15

1 Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? * who may abide upon your holy hill?

2 **Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, * who speaks the truth from his heart.**

3 There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; * he does not heap contempt upon his neighbour.

4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, * but he honours those who fear the Lord.

5 He has sworn to do no wrong * and does not take back his word.

6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, * nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

7 Whoever does these things * shall never be overthrown.

(Together): God of love, teach us to walk blamelessly in your ways, that our whole life may be established in you, and that we may come to the place prepared for us by your Son, Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1: 18-31

Gradual Hymn: Lord of All Hopefulness RB- 262

Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-12
Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

People: 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.

Church News

We thank Rev. Lid Haugen-Strand for leading us in worship this morning

Annual Meeting – Sunday, February 11 after the service

Meeting Reports – Please submit by Sunday, Jan 29.

Volunteers for Vestry – If you are interested and/or feel called to serve on Vestry, you are very welcome! Please speak to Rev Wendy, Loretta or Donna. You may wish to nominate someone to sit on Vestry. If so, please speak to the person and with their permission speak to Rev Wendy, Loretta or Donna

Video Bible Study –

Exploring the Archeological Digs of the Old Testament

Wednesday evening February 1st at 6:30 pm -- St. Andrew's Anglican Church (105 Elmwood Drive).

Prayer Shawls Available – Please ask if you would like a prayer shawl to give to someone. Please ask Loretta.

1st. Sunday of each month is Food Bank Sunday. We take our offerings to the food bank after the first Sunday of the month. Our support to the Moncton Food Bank is so greatly appreciated. Current Food Bank Needs are - cereal, Peanut butter, Cheese Whiz. Thanks!

Holy Communion – for now, we will continue with 'bread only', abiding by the recommendation of our Bishop.

Church News

Appointment of Rev Wendy to St James as Interim Priest-in-charge for a 6 month, half time, period Jan 1 – June 30. This appointment was made by Archbishop David at the request of St James Vestry.

Communtiy Breakfast – Our next brown bag community breakfast will be on Sat, Feb 18.

We need UNDERWEAR men's size S-M, 30-32 and womens M. Thanks for your continued generosity! Please let Donna or Denise know if you would like to volunteer!

Another cheque for \$1280 has been given from St James to St. Georges for the Breakfast/shower Program.

Many Thank you to everyone who donated !

Anyone wishing to donate to the St George's Breakfast/Shower program can place their donation (cash or cheque) on the plate marked 'St George's Breakfast'.



St James Jesters walking for 'Coldest Night of the Year' supporting Youth Impact initiatives fighting youth Homelessness in Moncton.
Link below..please consider a small donation.

Sat, Feb 25 – 4:00 pm at St James for a short walk.

You can make a donation whether you walk or not

either online through the link or

by cheque to St James marked 'Coldest Night'.

In the past Vestry donated \$100 and \$10 per person who walks.

Prayers of the People

4th Sunday after Epiphany

Priest: Blessed God, whose foolishness is wiser than human wisdom and whose weakness is stronger than human strength, pour out your blessing upon your creation as we pray: "Lead us to do justice and to love kindness...**and to walk humbly with our God.**"

Reader 1: Loving God, you have given your people the confidence to come before you through the new and living way that Jesus Christ has opened for us. Grant your church grace to provoke one another to love and good deeds, encouraging one another in Christ. In the church we pray for David our Archbishop, Brent our Archdeacon, Wendy our priest and all in leadership roles. May they lead us to understand the love of Jesus and His message. Bless your Church and her members as we labour in your vineyard, that we may be fruitful, as we live our lives in a manner worthy of the gospel, and live faithfully in your loving presence. Lead us to do justice and to love kindness...**And to walk humbly with our God.**

Reader 2: Inspire our leaders with purity of heart that they may see with godly vision and become peacemakers, children of God. Lead us to do justice and to love kindness...**And to walk humbly with our God.**

Reader 3: Look with mercy on the meek and poor in spirit and protect all who are persecuted falsely throughout the world. Lead us to do justice and to love kindness...**And to walk humbly with our God.**

Reader 4: Bless our community with your grace, that we may be compassionate peacemakers, pure in heart and willing to suffer for the sake of your healing and reconciling work. Lead us to do justice and to love kindness...**And to walk humbly with our God.**

Reader 5: Visit us with your grace and strengthen those who call upon your help, especially (*insert Prayer List*). Comfort all who mourn. We give you thanks for all the blessings you bestow upon us. Lead us to do justice and to love kindness...**And to walk humbly with our God.**

(Together): O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favourably upon your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Celebrant; Most merciful God,

People: 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 neighbours 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.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Musical Selection

Prayer Over the Gifts:

(Together): God of steadfast love, may our offering this day, by the power of your Holy Spirit, renew us for your service. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**

Eucharistic Prayer #2

Celebrant: The Lord 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 our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,..... /to proclaim the glory of your name.

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.

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

The Communion

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Prayer after Communion:

(Together): Source of all goodness, in this eucharist we are nourished by the bread of heaven and invigorated with new wine. May these gifts renew our lives, that we may show your glory to all the world, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**

Doxology:

Celebrant : Glory to God,

People: 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.

The Blessing

Announcements

Closing Hymn Onward Christian Soldiers RB-178

Prayer Requests: Sharie Belanger, Kelly Campbell , Joan Dennison, Fred, Louise, Trisha Corner, Sawyer. Susan Goguen, Barbara Tait, Sydney, Jeff Lewis, Lloyd Hines, George. Sue Balcom

