



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
February 12, 2023
Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
Service of Holy Eucharist. BAS

Opening Hymn Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah RB - 269

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): Almighty and everliving God, whose Son Jesus Christ healed the sick and restored them to wholeness of life, look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your power make whole all peoples and nations; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30 15-20

Psalm 119 1-8

1 Happy are they whose way is blameless, * who walk in the law of the Lord!

2 Happy are they who observe his decrees * and seek him with all their hearts!

3 Who never do any wrong, * but always walk in his ways.

4 You laid down your commandments, * that we should fully keep them.

5 Oh, that my ways were made so direct * that I might keep your statutes!

6 Then I should not be put to shame, * when I regard all your commandments.

7 I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, * when I have learned your righteous judgements.

8 I will keep your statutes; * do not utterly forsake me

(Together): Lord, you are just and your commandments are eternal. Teach us to love you with all our heart and to love our neighbour as ourselves, for the sake of Jesus our Lord. Amen

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Gradual Hymn: I Heard The Voice Of Jesus Say RB- 115

Gospel: Matthew 5: 21-37

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

Annual Meeting – Sunday, February 12 after the service

**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.

Communitiy 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 6th Sunday After Epiphany

Priest: You call us always to seek you with all our hearts and to walk in your ways, O Gracious one: Guide us with your wisdom and compassion, as we bring to you the needs of creation, saying:

Happy are they whose way is blameless...**we will thank you with an unfeigned heart.**

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. Grant to your Church, O God, faithful prophets and messengers who will strengthen the weak hands and make firm the feeble knees and say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear!" Happy are they whose way is blameless...**we will thank you with an unfeigned heart.**

Reader 2: Almighty God, your eyes are on us all and you know every human action, O Holy One: Let your spirit of peace and compassion fill the leaders of our nation and all who hold power in the world, that they may turn away from our human inclinations toward pride and party spirit, and be servants for the common good. Happy are they whose way is blameless...**we will thank you with an unfeigned heart.**

Reader 3: Merciful God, save any who are threatened by violence, murder, anger and insult throughout the world especially all refugees fleeing war and oppression. You are mighty in power, O God, and you see everything. Happy are they whose way is blameless...**we will thank you with an unfeigned heart.**

Reader 4: Loving God, bless us in this community with vision and perseverance. Let us take seriously our sin, that our eyes and our hands may be just and right, and let any who are in conflict be reconciled to one another. Happy are they whose way is blameless..**we will thank you with an unfeigned heart.**

Reader 5: Bountiful God, hear our words of gratitude and praise for all the blessings we enjoy, offering our thanksgivings especially for the work of teachers and volunteers helping students and adults to improve their literacy skills. Healing God, give us the help of your grace as we pray for those for whom we intercede, especially (*add parish list*). Eternal God, take into your everlasting light those who have died. Happy are they whose way is blameless...**we will thank you with an unfeigned heart.**

(Together): Your wisdom is great, O Father, for you have not commanded anyone to be wicked nor have you given anyone permission to sin: Inspire our loving compassion that we may walk in the Spirit of our Savior Jesus, and do our part in your work of healing and reconciliation on behalf of the whole world, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and 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) Eternal God, you are the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers, receive all we offer you this day; turn our sickness into health and our sorrow into joy. 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) God of tender care, in this eucharist we celebrate your love for us and for all people. May we show your love in our lives and know its fulfilment in your presence. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.. Amen

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

How Firm a Foundation

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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