Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 22, 2021

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Kyrie

P Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Confession & Absolution

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

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 Because of Jesus, God has forgiven all our sin. Hear the gospel of Christ from Psalm 103:

"The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger forever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him:

as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us.

As a father has compassion for his children, so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him."

C Amen.





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Psalm Psalm 26:1-2, 6-8

- P O LORD, I love the habitation of your house and the place where your glory dwells.
- **■** Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity, and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.
- Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and my mind.
- I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD, proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all your wondrous deeds.
- 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.

¹¹The vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot, for it is sealed." ¹²And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot read."

¹³And the Lord said:

"Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men, ¹⁴therefore, behold, I will again do wonderful things with this people, with wonder upon wonder; and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden." ¹⁵Ah, you who hide deep from the LORD your counsel,

whose deeds are in the dark, and who say, "Who sees us? Who knows us?" ¹⁶You turn things upside down!

Shall the potter be regarded as the clay, that the thing made should say of its maker, "He did not make me";

or the thing formed say of him who formed it, "He has no understanding"? 17 Is it not yet a very little while

until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?

¹⁸In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book, and out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see. ¹⁹The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD, and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

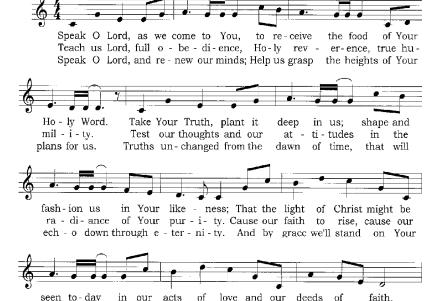
- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Ephesians 5:22–33

²²Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. ²⁴Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

²⁵Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. ²⁸In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰because we are members of his body. ³¹"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." ³²This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. ³³However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

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



Speak O Lord

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Speak O Lord and ful - fil in us all Your pur-pos-es for Your glo - ry. Words of pow'r that can nev - er fail; Let their truth pre-vail o - ver un-be-lief. Speak O Lord, 'til Your church is built, and the earth is filled with Your glo - ry.

love and au - thor - i

faith we'll walk as You walk with

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Your ma - jes - tic

And by

Holy Gospel Mark 7:1-13

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

Sermon Hymn

eyes to see

prom-is-es;

¹When the Pharisees gathered to [Jesus], with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem, ²they saw that some of his disciples ate with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. ³(For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands, holding to the tradition of the elders, ⁴and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.) ⁵And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?"

⁶And he said to them, "Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written.

"'This people honors me with their lips,

but their heart is far from me;

⁷in vain do they worship me,

teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.'

⁸You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men."

 9 And he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! 10 For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother'; and, 'Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.' 11 But you say, 'If a man tells his father or his mother, Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban' (that is, given to God)— 12 then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, 13 thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

Prayer

- P Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

Nicene Creed

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.

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.





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Distribution Hymn #547

The Lamb



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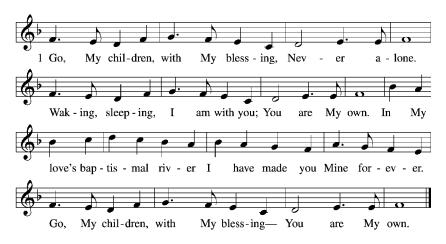
Nunc Dimittis

- P Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace according to Your Word.
- For my eyes have seen Your salvation, Which You have prepared before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of Your people Israel.

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.

Closing Hymn #922

Go, My Children, with My Blessing (st. 1)



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Benediction

- 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.

Announcements

Today

- **Bible Study** 9:15 AM Masks Optional: Adults meet in the Sanctuary; Children meet downstairs
- Youth Confirmation 12:15 PM 1:00 PM
- Sunday Evening Prayer 5:30 PM
- New Member Class 6:30 PM 8:00 PM

Tuesday

Youth Group - 6:30- 8:00 PM

Wednesday

• **Zoom Bible Study** (*The Screwtape Letters*) 7:00 PM. Contact Aaron for a Zoom invitation.

Saturday

Women of Faith Bible Study: 9:00 AM

Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study

Calling ALL men... please join us next Tuesday, August 31st at 6:30 – 7:30 AM when we will begin a new series based on the book, Mansfield's Book of Manly Men, by Stephen Mansfield. Join us as we discuss lost habits, virtues, disciplines and duties that define the actions of true manhood! Books can be purchased in various formats on Amazon among other sellers. Contact Tim Schnicker 618-670-0880 for questions or more information.

Mercy Ministries: If you are interested in becoming involved in our Madison County Elementary Schools Mission, please contact Sandy Hall at Sandy@saintjamesglencarbon.org for kick-off meeting information.

National Youth Gathering: Calling all High School Students! Next July is the National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX. We will have an informational meeting on Sunday, September 12 at noon. If you are at all interested in going to the Gathering, bring a parent and come find out more. We will discuss the registration fee due date, approximate overall cost, transportation, and fundraisers. If you are interested in going to the Gathering, but can't make the meeting, be sure to let one of the Youth Leaders know.

St. James Life Ministries Kick-off Celebration & Speaker - We will be kicking off our Life Ministry and 40 Days for Life sign-up on August 29 with special speaker Kristi Hofferber during Bible Study. Kristi is a prolife and adoption advocate who shares a message about the value of life. Please contact Pam Meister 618-799-9348 for questions or interest.



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