Holy Thursday April 6, 2023



Confession and Absolution

Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Kyrie

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

Confession and Absolution

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.
- C Amen.
- P Do you believe that the forgiveness I speak is not my forgiveness but God's?
- C Yes.
- P Let it be done for you as you believe.

Reflection on God's Forgiveness

Romans 5:8-11

- P God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
- Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.
- P For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.
- More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Service of the Word

Psalm *Psalm* 116:12-19

- P What shall I render to the LORD for all his benefits to me?
- I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD,
- **P** I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.
- Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.
- P O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant, the son of your maidservant. You have loosed my bonds.
- I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the LORD.
- I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,
- in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD!
- 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.

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 24:3-11

³Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD and all the just decrees. And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words that the LORD has spoken we will do." ⁴And Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD. He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. ⁵And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the LORD. ⁶And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. ⁷Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient." ⁸And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words."

⁹Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. ¹¹And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

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

Epistle Hebrews 9:11–22

¹¹When Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) ¹²he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. ¹³For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, ¹⁴how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

¹⁵Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant. ¹⁶For where a will is involved, the death of the one who made it must be established. ¹⁷For a will takes effect only at death, since it is not in force as long as the one who made it is alive. ¹⁸Therefore not even the first covenant was inaugurated without blood. ¹⁹For when every commandment of the law had been declared by Moses to all the people, he took the blood of calves and goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, ²⁰saying, "This is the blood of the covenant that God commanded for you." ²¹And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood both the tent and all the vessels used in worship. ²²Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel Matthew 26:17–30

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-sixth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁷Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Where will you have us prepare for you to eat the Passover?" ¹⁸He said, "Go into the city to a certain man and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is at hand. I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.'" ¹⁹And the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover.

²⁰When it was evening, he reclined at table with the twelve. ²¹And as they were eating, he said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me." ²²And they were very sorrowful and began to say to him one after another, "Is it I, Lord?" ²³He answered, "He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me will betray me. ²⁴The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born." ²⁵Judas, who would betray him, answered, "Is it I, Rabbi?" He said to him, "You have said so."

²⁶Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." ²⁷And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, ²⁸for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

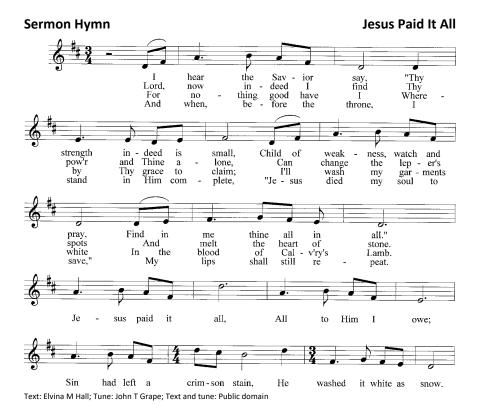
³⁰And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

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

Apostles' Creed

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.



Sermon

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P Lord, in Your mercy,

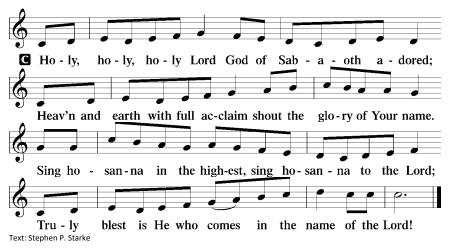
hear our prayer.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:
- C Amen.

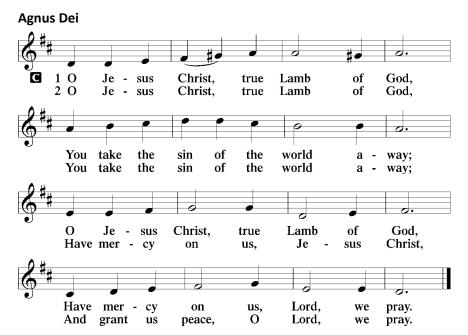
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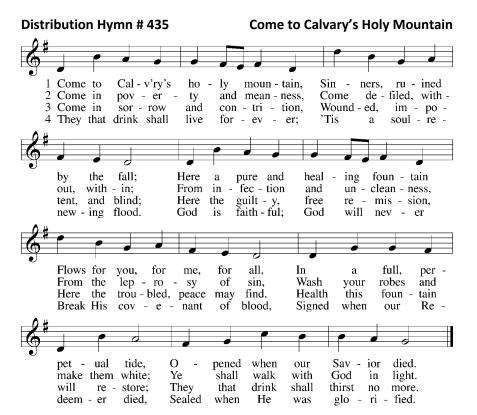
Lord's Prayer

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.

The Words of Our Lord



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The Dismissal

Nunc Dimittis



Benediction

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.
- 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

This Week at a Glance

Friday

Good Friday Worship Service – 7:00 PM

Sunday

- Worship Service 9:00 AM
- Easter Brunch & Egg Hunt immediately following worship

Tuesday

• Youth Group – 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Wednesday

• Men's Bible Study 6:30 – 7:30 AM



Have you completed the VisionPath Survey?

VisionPath

St. James has contracted with LCEF (Lutheran Church Extension Fund) to facilitate our VisionPath process.

The intention of the VisionPath process is to clarify the purpose of our church with the goal of creating a one sentence guiding statement by seeking God's vision for St. James.

- What is our purpose?
- Why does St. James exist?
- What is our identity?
- "Who are we, Lord?" and "Why do you have us here, Lord?"

This process began with our LCEF facilitator, Rev. Tom Eggebrecht challenging us to gather a VisionPath team. The following people are serving on the VisionPath Team: Eric Robinson, William Ellington, Tina Enke, Jamie Moldenhauer, Rod Nathan, Doug Roher, Nic Schatte, and Cheryl Schnicker. This team will meet four times over the course of the process: first to choose the questions for a congregation vision survey; second, gather with the rest of the congregation for a vision event; third, to condense comments and information from the vision event (May 4th); and finally, to write the guiding statement.

How can you be involved?

- <u>Prayer</u> The VisionPath process' purpose is to seek the Lord's guidance in clarifying our identity and purpose as a congregation. We can not do that without being in conversation with God through prayer. The St. James Prayer Team will be specifically praying for this process and for St. James. Additionally, we would like every person who calls St. James home to also be in prayer with the team.
- <u>Participate</u> in the <u>VisionPath survey</u> (April 2 23), accessing the survey by the QR code below or in the worship bulletin or announcements, or completing and returning a hard-copy survey available in the church narthex. If you need any assistance in accessing or completing the survey, please contact the church office to have a VisionPath Team member contact you.



 Attend the Vision Event (May 4). Every member counts! Please mark your calendars to attend this important event which will include a meal and free babysitting will be available.

The VisionPath survey will be distributed digitally and available in hardcopy in the narthex starting Sunday, April 2nd and ending Sunday, April 23rd. All surveys submitted will be anonymous with only Tom Eggebrecht receiving the responses. He will then condense the surveys into meaningful themes to be shared with the VisionPath Team.

Please watch the weekly announcements for updates on this process and details about the vision event to be held on May 4th

ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. James' Member Pictorial Directory was distributed via email earlier this year. The digital version is updated quarterly and available in the digital newsletter. We do have a few printed copies available in the church office for members who do not use email. If you need a printed version or you did not receive it via email, and would like to, please contact Cheryl at the church office - 618-288-6120 or cheryl@stjamesglencarbon.org.

<u>Save the Date: St. James' Vision Event</u>. Please mark your calendars to join us for this **ALL MEMBER EVENT**. Dinner and babysitting will be provided. Watch for more information.

Youth Annual Yard Sale

As you start your Spring Cleaning, please be looking for items that you would be willing to donate to the Youth Yard Sale. The Yard Sale will be on Saturday, June 17. Items can be dropped off at church the week before. Funds raised will help with expenses for the Mission Trip and the 2025 Youth Gathering.

The St. James Youth Group is planning a <u>Mission Trip to Northern</u> <u>Minnesota</u> from July 7-15. We are looking for Junior High and High School Youth as well as adults to make the trip with us. Please contact Ruth Thompson (<u>ruth.thompson@melhs.org</u> or 314-985-0805) if you would like more information.

Community Groups

There is a community group ready to welcome you! If you are interested in joining a group, please contact Shanna at Shannacovarrubias@saintjamesglencarbon.org for locations and times available, or call the church office.

Ministry Opportunities

Sunday School Needs YOU!

We are very blessed with wonderful Sunday School teachers that share Jesus every week with our children. With summer approaching, and a new summer Sunday school program beginning in June, it's a perfect time to give them a break! To that end, we are seeking aides to assist with the Sunday morning program. There is No preparation or experience necessary. The program and curriculum is set, but adults are needed to help assist the leader on Sunday mornings. If you feel called to serve in this way, please contact Cheryl in the church office or email at cheryl@stjamesglencarbon.org

<u>Sunday School Teacher Needed</u> for the "Grades 3-5" class starting in August. If you feel called to serve in this way, please contact Cheryl in the church office.

Volunteers Needed to Help with Audio and Video

Are you interested in learning a new skill or picking up a new hobby that can support the ministry at St James? St James could really use your help to ensure that we are able to continue offering audio and video recordings and live streaming of our worship services.

No experience required. The media ministry and technology team is in need of individuals that can assist with audio or video and cameras during worship and other events at St James.

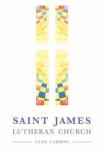
All tasks are easy to learn regardless of your age! Whether you have never done any of them or are an experienced audio engineer or video producer, your help would be greatly appreciated and welcomed. If you are interested or have questions regarding this opportunity, please email Larry O'Leary larry@stjamesglencarbon.org or contact the church office.

<u>The Altar Guild is in need of volunteers!</u> This could be a great individual or family service opportunity. If you're available to assist one Sunday per month or more, contact

<u>judyreese@saintjamesglencarbon.org</u> or call the church office for more information!

Help Fill Glen-Ed Pantry's Shelves with Most-Needed Items. Consider donating some items Glen-Ed Pantry always needs: pasta side dishes, hamburger helper meal starters, oatmeal, breakfast bars, pop-tarts, saltines, other crackers, jelly, ketchup, mayo, mustard, all condiments, spices, white sugar, flour, cooking oil, pancake syrup, laundry detergent and dish soap. Donation Idea: Glen-Pantry runs because of volunteers. Go to www.glenedpantry.org and find out about regular or special project volunteer opportunities.

St. James Attendance



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