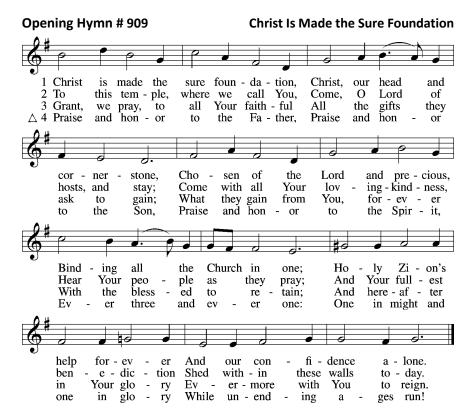
The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost July 21, 2024



Text: Latin, c. 8th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt.; Tune: Henry Purcell, 1659–95, adapt.; Text and tune: Public domain

Confession and Absolution

Invocation

 ${f P}$ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Exhortation

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

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 In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.

Reflection on God's Forgiveness

Isaiah 44:21-23

- P Remember these things, O Jacob, and Israel, for you are my servant;
- I formed you; you are my servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me.
- I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like a mist;
- Return to me, for I have redeemed you.
- P Sing, O heavens, for the LORD has done it; shout, O depths of the earth;
- For the LORD has redeemed Jacob, and will be glorified in Israel.

Service of the Word

Psalm 23

- **P** The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
- He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.
- P He restores my soul.
 He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- P You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.
- 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.

Gloria in Excelsis

- P Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.
- We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, we glorify You, We give You thanks for Your great glory, O Lord God, King of Heaven, Father Almighty.

Lord Jesus Christ, the one and only Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world -Receive our prayer and have mercy on us.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone, Jesus, with the Holy Spirit, are Most High In the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

¹"Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. ³Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD.

⁵"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'"

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

Epistle Ephesians 2:11–22

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— ¹²remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility 15 by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. ¹⁷And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, ²¹in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²²In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

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

Anthem Sicut Cervus

Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum, ita desiderat anima mea ad Te, Deus.

As the deer desires the water-brooks, So longs my soul after Thee, O God.

Text: Giovanni de Palestrina, 1525-1594; Text: Public domain

Holy Gospel

Mark 6:30-44

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

Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁰The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹And he said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. 34When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. ³⁵And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. ³⁶Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." ³⁷But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" 38 And he said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." ³⁹Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. 41 And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. ⁴²And they all ate and were satisfied. ⁴³And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. ⁴⁴And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

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

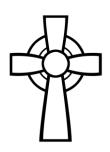
Apostles' Creed

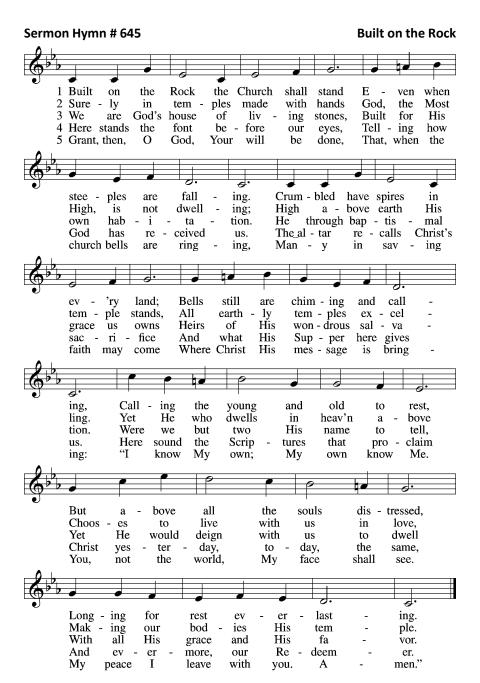
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

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.





Text: Nikolai Fredrik Severin Grundtvig, 1783–1872, abr.; tr. Carl Döving, 1867–1937, alt.; Tune: Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–87; Text and tune: Public domain

Sermon

Offering

Please take a moment to register your attendance in either the "Record of Friendship" booklet, using the QR code located in the "Week-at-a Glance" section at the end of this bulletin, or on the inside cover of the Record of Friendship Booklet.

Prayer of the Church

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

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- P The Lord be with you.
- C 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.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

- P Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
- Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna, in the highest.

Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord:

Glory to You, O Lord in the highest.

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

Agnus Dei

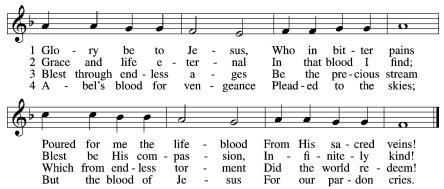
- P Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
- Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
 Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace. Amen.

Distribution



Distribution Hymn # 433

Glory Be to Jesus



- 5 Oft as earth exulting Wafts its praise on high, Angel hosts rejoicing Make their glad reply.
- 6 Lift we, then, our voices, Swell the mighty flood; Louder still and louder Praise the precious blood!

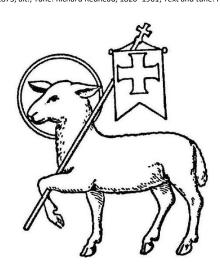
Text: Italian, c. 18th cent.; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–78, alt.; Tune: Friedrich Filitz, 1804–76; Text and tune: Public domain

Distribution Hymn #611

Chief of Sinners Though I Be



Text: William McComb, 1793–1873, alt.; Tune: Richard Redhead, 1820–1901; Text and tune: Public domain



The Church's One Foundation



Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900, alt.; Tune: Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–76; Text and tune: Public domain

Nunc Dimittis

- P Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace according to Your Word.
- For my eyes have seen Your salvation,

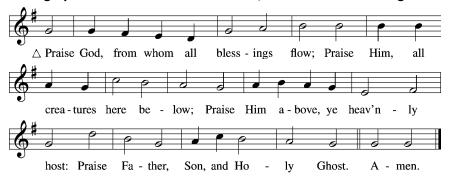
Which You have prepared before the face of all people;

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 # 805

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711; Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois; Text and tune: Public domain

Benediction

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

Today

- Worship Service 9:00 AM
- Sunday School 10:45 AM
- Adult Bible Study 10:45 AM

Wednesday

- Men's Bible Study 6:30 AM 7:30 AM
- Youth Group 6:30 PM 8:00 PM

Saturday

Women's Bible Study – 9:00 AM

Sunday

VBS Finale Pool Party Noon – 2:00 PM

Announcements

July Ministry Spotlight: Music Team

Music Deacon: Chuck Rathert

The Music Team, led by Music Deacon, Chuck Rathert, continues to elevate our worship experience with their inspiring blend of instrumentals and vocals. We are blessed with a wealth of talented musicians who bring their unique gifts to our worship services and special events, creating an atmosphere of reverence and joy that enriches our community. If you'd like more information about our St. James Music Team, please contact Chuck at chuck@stjamesglencarbon.org.

Midweek Fellowship - 6:30 PM

Join us this Wednesday, July 24th for a midweek fellowship meal, communion and praise music to be held in Fellowship Hall.

Sisterhood: How God Intended - August 10th @ 9:00 AM – Noon in St. James Fellowship Hall

Calling all women aged 13+: We are super excited to have our first women's event of the year and we'd love for you to join us! There is no fee, but registration is requested and childcare is provided. Registration forms can be found on the credenza in the narthex or on the main page of our St. James website. Please return paper registration forms to the mail box on the church office door.

VBS Finale - Pool Party - July 28 @ Noon - 2:00 PM

Please join us for a pool party hosted by the Rathert's (3138 Bluff Road, Edwardsville), next Sunday, July 28 from Noon – 2:00 PM. Families are requested to RSVP via text to 618-407-4558 or email williamellington@saintjamesglencarbon.org. Parents are requested to stay with their child(ren) at the party. Lunch will be served. Please bring towels and dry clothes.



How does the finite human brain contemplate the infinity of God? He always was, is now, and always will be. Is it such an impossible task that we shouldn't even try? Is there a difference between eternity and infinity? Aaron and Chuck explore the challenge of grasping the Infinite God on the

newest podcast episode of Craving Answers Craving God.

Village Worker's Lunch @ St. James

Thank you to all who helped with the Village Worker's Lunch held last Wednesday. It was a wonderful opportunity to serve our community! Praise God for your willingness to serve, form and build relationships and share the love of Christ.

St. James Guiding Statement

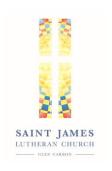
Together we have found healing and hope in Jesus Christ and welcome others to experience these same Gospel promises.

St. James Mission Pillars

Healing
Community
Restoration



St. James Attendance



St. James Lutheran Church
146 North Main
P.O. Box 644
Glen Carbon, Illinois 62034
Office: 618.288.6120
Email: contact@stjamesglencarbon.org
www.stjamesglencarbon.org