

# ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH



*February 23, 2025*  
*Holy Eucharist*  
*7th Sunday after the Epiphany*

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## Opening Hymn: I come with joy to meet my Lord

Hymnal 304

*All stand as able.*

*Unison or harmony*

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -  
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to  
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each  
 4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His  
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der  
 2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -  
 3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us  
 4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship  
 5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.  
 2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
 3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.  
 4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.  
 5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

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## Liturgy of the Word

## Opening Acclamation

*Presider* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.  
*People* *Glory to God for ever and ever.*

### **Collect for Purity**

*Presider and People*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

### **Song of Praise:**

*Presider and People*

Glory to God in the highest,  
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 sins 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.

### **Collect of the Day**

*All are invited to say the collect together*

*Presider* The Lord be with you.  
*People* *And also with you.*  
*Presider* Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**First Reading: Genesis 45:3-11, 15**

*Lector* A reading from the Book of Genesis.

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there--since there are five more years of famine to come--so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty."

And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

*Lector* Hear what the spirit is saying to God's People.

*People* *Thanks be to God*

*A period of silence is kept.*

**The Psalm, Psalms or Canticle Appointed**

**St. Helena Psalter**

*Read in a manner chosen by the Presider: direct recitation (unison), antiphonally (side to side), or responsive recitation (leader and people), alternating either by verse or at the asterisk.*

**Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42**

- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; \*  
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, \*  
and like the green grass fade away.
- 3 Put your trust in God and do good; \*  
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- 4 Take delight in God, \*  
who shall give you your heart's desire.
- 5 Commit your way to God and put your trust in God, \*  
who will bring it to pass.
- 6 God will make your righteousness as clear as the light \*  
and your just dealing as the noonday.
- 7 Be still before God; \*  
for God wait patiently.
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, \*  
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; \*  
do not fret yourself, it leads only to evil.
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut off, \*  
but those who wait upon God shall possess the land.
- 11 In a little while the wicked shall be no more; \*  
you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.
- 12 But the lowly shall possess the land; \*  
they will delight in abundance of peace.
- 41 But the deliverance of the righteous comes from God \*  
who is their stronghold in time of trouble.
- 42 God will help them and rescue them; \*  
the Holy One will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them,  
because they seek refuge in God.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:35-38,42-50**

*Lector* A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

Someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are

those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

*Lector* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### **Gospel: Luke 6:27-38**

*In a service of the Holy Eucharist, all stand, as able, for the reading of the Gospel.*

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*A period of silence is kept. Then all may sit.*

**Sermon**

**The Rev. Kim Hardy**

**The Nicene Creed**

*All standing as able, the creed is said in unison as a community of faith.*

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father, \*  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*\*The 1994 General Convention affirmed the intention of the Episcopal Church to remove the filioque clause at the next revision of the Book of Common Prayer. Using Enriching our Worship materials gives an opportunity to practice this intention.*

## **Prayers of the People**

### *Deacon*

Sustaining God, you have promised to turn our hearts from stone to flesh; to give us life through the power of your love and hear our hopes and needs. Answer these prayers lifted to you as we say, God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

### *Intercessor*

For the people of God everywhere, that they me be beacons of hope whose light shines forth to dispel fear and hate. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Church of the Good Shepherd, Barre; the Rev. Earl Kooperkamp and the Rev. Deacon Beth Ann Maier, and in our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil.

*Intercessor* God in your mercy,  
*People* bear our prayer.

For those with authority over our lives, that they might wield their power for the common good and with respect for the dignity of all people.

*Intercessor* God in your mercy,  
*People* bear our prayer.

For those in our lives who have caused us pain and hurt; lead them to an awareness of their impact and lead us to the path of forgiveness where those hurts have no hold on us.

*Intercessor* God in your mercy,  
*People* bear our prayer.

For our local communities - our neighbors, our co-workers, and our classmates, help us to sow the seeds of your kingdom in our daily interactions.

*Intercessor* God in your mercy,  
*People* bear our prayer.

For our beleaguered earth, the garden where you have placed us; grant us wisdom as we discern how to be worthy stewards of this gift and give us strength and courage to persevere in its preservation. We give thanks for Karen Robinson who celebrates her birthday this week and for Bruce and Paula Morgan celebrating their anniversary this week.

*During a pause the Intercessor invites prayers of thanksgiving to be offered aloud, first from the in-person group and then from online worshippers. After all prayers have been offered, the Intercessor continues.*

*Intercessor* God in your mercy,  
*People* bear our prayer.

For all who live in pain, in sickness, in fear or dread; sustain them with your grace that they might bear their suffering and grant us an awareness and a willingness to be their companions and caregivers. Especially we pray for Grace; Kristen; Marie; Foster Borch; Dave Leahy; Dave; David; Laurie Rheame; Pat Anderson; Lesley; Neil Eklund; Becca and Eloise Dourmashkin; Steve; Connie; and Barbara Gay.



*During a pause the Intercessor invites prayers of intercession to be offered aloud, first from the in-person group and then from online worshippers. After all prayers have been offered, the Intercessor continues.*

*Intercessor*     God in your mercy,  
*People*            hear our prayer.

Hold in your care those who have died and welcome us into your eternal arms when our time comes, and let us all rise together in your new age.

*During a pause the Intercessor invites prayers for the dead and for those who mourn to be offered aloud, first from the in-person group and then from online worshippers. After all prayers have been offered, the Intercessor continues.*

*Intercessor*     God in your mercy,  
*People*            hear our prayer.

*The Presider concludes with the following collect*

Almighty God who is the Sower of love, mercy, and hope; let us be the seeds of your salvation; growing in love ourselves that through us your hopeful mercy might be known and established everywhere, and hear our prayers, those spoken and those held quietly in our hearts that we might know grace and live into the people we were created to be. All this we ask through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

## **Confession**

## **Book of Common Prayer 360 (Inclusive Version)**

*The Deacon or Presider says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Presider and People*

Most merciful God,  
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 neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of our Savior 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.  
*The Bishop when present, or the Priest says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## Peace

*Presider* The peace of Christ be always with you.  
*People* And also with you.

*If you are in person, please feel free to share the peace with those near to you. Please be mindful that some may want a “touchless” peace. In this case, the peace may be shared in various ways such as the prayer to heart position. Please be mindful of others’ need to keep distance. On Zoom, please either open your microphone to share the peace aloud or visually give a sign of peace or share your peace in the chat box.*

## Liturgy of the Table

*Presider*

Let us offer to God a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving and make good our vows to the Most High.

*The people’s offerings are gathered and brought to the altar by the ushers to be offered to God. All stand as able.*

## Offertory Hymn: Make me a channel of your peace

Verses 1, 2, 4

1. Make me a chan - nel of your peace.  
2. Make me a chan - nel of your peace.  
4. Make me a chan - nel of your peace.

Where there is ha - tred, let me bring your  
Where there's de - spair in life, let me bring  
It is in par - don - ing that we are

love.  
hope.  
par - doned,

Where there is in - ju -  
Where there is dark - ness,  
in giv - ing of our -

ry, your par - don, Lord,  
selves that we re - ceive,  
And where there's doubt, true faith in  
And where there's sad - ness, ev - er  
and in dy - ing that we're born to e - ter - nal  
1. you. joy. life. 2. To verse 3 3.

Verse 3

3. Oh, Mas - ter, grant that I may nev - er  
seek So much to be con - soled as to con -  
sole. To be un - der - stood  
as to un - der - stand. To be  
loved as to love with all my soul. D.C.

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Dedicated to Mrs. Frances Tracy

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***St. James Episcopal Church, 4 St. James Place, Essex Junction, VT 05452***  
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**Great Thanksgiving – Enriching Our Worship, Prayer 2**

*Presider*           The Lord be with you.  
*People*             And also with you.  
*Presider*           Lift up your hearts.  
*People*             We lift them to the Lord.

*Presider*  
*People*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Presider*

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,  
source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep  
and brought all things into being:

sun, moon, and stars;

earth, winds, and waters;

and every living thing.

You made us in your image,

and taught us to walk in your ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;

and yet, as a mother cares for her children,

you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us

to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels

in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,

lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

*Presider and People*

**Sanctus**

**WLP 858**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Blessed is the one who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: American folk melody; arr. Marcia Pruner, harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983).

*The Presider continues*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.  
 To deliver us from the power of sin and death  
 and to reveal the riches of your grace,  
 you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,  
 that she might conceive and bear a son,  
 Jesus the holy child of God.  
 Living among us, Jesus loved us.  
 He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,  
 healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.  
 He yearned to draw all the world to himself  
 yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.  
 Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross  
 the sacrifice of his life,  
 and to be glorified by you.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Presider is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.*

On the night before he died for us,  
Jesus was at table with his friends.  
He took bread, gave thanks to you,  
broke it, and gave it to them, and said:  
“Take, eat:  
This is my Body, which is given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.  
Again, he gave thanks to you,  
gave it to them, and said:  
“Drink this, all of you:  
This is my Blood of the new Covenant,  
which is poured out for you and for all  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Whenever you drink it,  
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,  
and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,  
who was and is and is to come,  
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,  
and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts  
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.  
Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth  
and make us your new creation,  
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us,  
with all your saints,  
from every tribe and language and people and nation,  
to feast at the banquet prepared  
from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
to you be honor, glory, and praise,  
for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

*Presider*            As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

*People and Presider*

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.

**Breaking of the Bread**

*A period of silence is kept.*

**Fraction Anthem: Whoever eats this bread**

**WLP 874**

*Principal Canon*

Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for - ev - er.

Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for - ev - er.

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*The Presider invites the people to Communion*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose for you and feed on Christ in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*and adds*

All are welcome at God's table.

*A moment of silence is observed.*



Ushers will guide the congregation to communion. Please come forward to receive communion at the step. We receive communion in both kinds, bread and wine, using a Pouring Chalice and individual cups. If you would like to receive wine, pick up a communion cup in the tray on your right as you approach the steps and leave your empty cup in the other tray as you return to your seat. If you are unable physically to come forward, please let an usher know and communion will be brought to you. Please also let the priest know if you need a gluten-free wafer.

## Communion Hymn: Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love

Hymnal 602

*Chorus*

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show  
us how to serve the neigh - bors we have from you.

1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their  
2 Neigh - bors are rich and poor, neigh - bors are black and  
3 These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should  
4 Lov - ing puts us on our knees, serv - ing as though we were

*Repeat Chorus*

feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.  
white, neigh - bors are near - by and far a - way.  
love. All are neigh - bors to us and you.  
slaves; this is the way we should live with you.

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## Postcommunion Prayer

*All stand as able.*

*After Communion, the Presider says*

Let us pray.

*Presider and People*

Eternal God,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food

in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
 Send us now into the world in peace,  
 and grant us strength and courage  
 to love and serve you  
 with gladness and singleness of heart;  
 through Christ our Savior. Amen.

## Community Announcements

### Blessing and Dismissal

*All stand as able. The priest blesses the people*

May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

*The Deacon then dismisses the people*

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God.


### Sending Hymn: God is Love, let heaven adore him

Hymnal 379

The musical score is presented in two systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are as follows:

1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let  
 2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in  
 3 God is Love; and though with blind-ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - jice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him  
 one em - brace; with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,  
 hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness



and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun -  
 ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are  
 guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall  
 da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through  
 break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that  
 nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so  
 all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.  
 self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.  
 Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

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*Please join us for coffee and refreshments in the Parish Hall.  
 And please join us for a brief Compline service with music online Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.*



**Presider and Preacher:** The Rev. Kim Hardy  
**Deacon:** The Rev. Dave Ganter  
**Lector:** Frances Huessy  
**Intercessor:** Denise Noble  
**Eucharistic Minister:** TBD  
**Musicians:** John Koier, Jenny Ogelby, Rich Ugland, Amma Kim  
**In-Person Ushers:** Jeanette Racine, Ron Belair  
**Minister of Technology:** Janice Rheaume  
**Digital Usher:** Peggy Bonesteel

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## IN OUR PRAYERS

**Diocesan and Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Church of the Good Shepherd, Barre; the Rev. Earl Kooperkamp; the Rev. Deacon Beth Ann Maier; and in our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil.

**We pray for those who are sick, recovering from injuries, lonely or grieving, and others who have asked for our prayers:** especially Grace; Kristen; Marie; Foster Borch; Dave Leahy; Dave; David; Laurie Rheaume; Pat Anderson; Lesley; Neil Eklund; Becca and Eloise Dourmashkin; Steve; Connie and Barbara Gay.

**We pray for those who have died and those who mourn.**

**Birthday:** Karen Robinson, February 28

**Anniversary:** Bruce & Paula Morgan, February 24

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## St. James Calendar at a Glance

**Constellation Vision Team meeting:** Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm

**Vestry meeting:** Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm

**Calvary Soup Dinner:** Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm

**St. James Book Group:** Sunday, March 2 after church

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner:** Come join us in the Parish Hall at 5:30 PM on Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> for our traditional pancake and sausage dinner. This is an event for all ages - there is singing and decorating

the Alleluia sign. We'll then put away Alleluia for Lent. Check the This Week article for information on the history of Shrove Tuesday and why we eat pancakes. If you'd like to help with setup, cooking, or clean up please contact Brian Garland (bjarland@gmail.com or 735-3353).

**Ash Wednesday service:** Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 12 pm at St. James.

For more details or a more complete calendar,  
please see the Weekly or visit our website: [www.stjamesvt.org](http://www.stjamesvt.org).



## ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Bishop of Vermont: The Right Rev. Dr. Shannon MacVean-Brown

Rector: The Rev. Kim Hardy

Deacon: The Rev. Dn. David Ganter

Vestry:

Senior Warden, Brian Garland

Junior Warden, Ron Belair

Linda Chiasson

Susan Ficklin

Kathy Laidman

Sandy Redmond

Neal Robinson

Parish Treasurer: Susan Ficklin

Assistant Treasurers: Janice Rheaume and Jenny Ogelby

Pledge Treasurer: Jeanne Pizii

Minister of Music (on sabbatical): Carol Reichard

Parish Administrator: SarahJean Bos

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