

# ST. JAMES PARISH CHURCH

*Holetown, St. James, Barbados*

TO BE A BEACON RADIATING GOD'S LOVE AMONG ALL PEOPLE

THE LAST SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY  
SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 2025



*Sunday, March 2, 2025*

*7:15 a.m. Matins, Holy Eucharist and Sermon*

*9:00 a.m. Sunday School*

*9:15 a.m. Choral Matins, Sung Holy Eucharist and Sermon*

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*The St. James' Church  
Family would like to  
extend a blessed  
welcome to all today.*

*A special welcome is  
given to our visitors.  
May this service be an  
inspiration to all.*

## **ORGAN PRELUDE**

*Dr. Philip Forde, FRCO*

## **OPENING SENTENCE: LENT**

Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

*Ephesians 5: 1, 2*

## **INTROIT HYMN: 786**

1. In days of old on Sinai  
the Lord Almighty came  
in majesty of terror,  
in thunder-cloud and flame:  
on Tabor, with the glory  
of sunniest light for vest,  
the excellence of beauty  
in Jesus was expressed.
2. All light created paled there,  
and did him worship meet;  
the sun itself adored him,  
and bowed before his feet;  
while Moses and Elijah,  
upon the holy mount,  
the co-eternal glory  
of Christ our God recount.
3. O holy, wondrous vision!  
But what when, this life past,  
the beauty of Mount Tabor

shall end in heaven at last?  
 But what when all the glory  
 of uncreated light  
 shall be the promised guerdon  
 of them that win the fight?

V. Blessed be the Lord our God,  
**R. By whose grace we are yet alive.**

V. Blessed be His Son Jesus Christ,  
**R. By whose rising we are set free.**

V. Blessed be the Spirit of God,  
**R. In whom is our hope and our joy;**

Father, we come together in the Name of your Son Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, to offer you our worship, praise and thanksgiving. To you belong all power and glory. You are the source of all goodness. Let our worship bear witness to your peace and saving power. Through your Spirit may we ever rejoice in the abiding presence of our risen and ascended Lord. **Amen.**

## **CANTICLE OF PRAISE OR INVITATORY**

### **VENITE**

#### **PSALM 95: 1-8**

O come let us sing out to the Lord:  
 let us shout in triumph to the rock of our  
 salvation.

Let us come before His face with thanksgiving:  
 and cry out to Him joyfully in psalms.

For the Lord is a great God:  
and a great king above all gods.  
In His hands are the depths of the earth:  
and the peaks of the mountains are His also.  
The sea is His and he made it:  
His hands moulded dry land.

Come let us worship and bow down:  
and kneel before the Lord our maker.  
For he Himself is our God:  
we are the people of His pasture, and the  
sheep of His hand.

If only you would hear His voice today:  
for He comes, He comes to judge the earth:  
He shall judge the world with righteousness:  
and the peoples with His truth.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son:  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now:  
and shall be forever. Amen.

*The Minister says:*

**Lord, we pray to you for the forgiveness of our sins.**

*Minister and people, kneeling, together say:*

**Have mercy upon us,  
most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;**

**and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honour and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Priest:*

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 life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **PSALM 99**

***The holy and mighty Lord reigns on high. God spoke to Israel's leaders from a pillar of cloud and has forgiven them their misdeeds.***

- 1 The LORD is King;  
let the people tremble; \*  
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;  
let the earth shake.
- 2 The LORD is great in Zion; \*  
he is high above all peoples.
- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; \*  
he is the Holy One.
- 4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,  
you have established equity; \*  
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God  
and fall down before his footstool; \*  
he is the Holy One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,  
and Samuel among those who call upon his  
Name, \*  
they called upon the LORD, and he answered  
them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \*  
they kept his testimonies and the decree that  
he gave them.
- 8 O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; \*  
you were a God who forgave them,  
yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God  
and worship him upon his holy hill; \*  
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.
- Glory to the Father, and to the Son:\*  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now:\*  
and shall be forever. **Amen.**

### **THE FIRST LESSON: 2 CORINTHIANS 3:12-4:2**

***Paul contrasts his ministry with that of Moses. He and we are able, thanks to Christ, to see God's plan fully. The dead letter of the Law has been replaced by the living letter of the Spirit.***

***A Reading from the Word of God, written in the***

***Second Epistle to the Corinthians, Chapter 3,  
beginning at the twelfth verse.***

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

**The Word of the Lord**

***The people:*** *Thanks be to God.*



## THE BENEDICTUS

### LUKE 1:68-79

Blessed are you, Lord the God of Israel\*

You have come to your people and set them free.

You have raised up for us a mighty Saviour\*

born of the house of your servant David.

Through your holy prophets

You promised of old to save us from our enemies\*

from the hands of all that hate us,

To show mercy to our forebears,\*

and to remember your holy covenant.

This was the oath you swore to our father

Abraham:\*

to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship you without fear:\*

holy and righteous before you

all the days of our life.

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the

Most High:\*

for you will go before the Lord to prepare the way,

To give God's people knowledge of salvation:\*

by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God:\*

the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

To shine upon those who dwell in darkness

and the shadow of death:\*

and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son:\*  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now:\*  
and shall be forever. **Amen.**

**THE SECOND READING: LUKE 9:28-36 [37-43A]**

*This is the story of Jesus' transfiguration.*

*A reading from the Word of God, written in the Gospel of Luke, Chapter 9, beginning at the twenty-eighth verse.*

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"--not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"

When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

*[On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. And all were astounded at the greatness of God.]*

### **The Word of the Lord**

***The people:*** *Thanks be to God.*

### **HYMN FOR THE GRADUAL: 790**

1. O wondrous type! O vision fair  
of glory that the Church may share,  
which Christ upon the mountain shows,  
where brighter than the sun he glows!

2. With Moses and Elijah nigh  
the incarnate Lord holds converse high;  
and from the cloud, the Holy One  
bears record to the only Son .
3. With shining face and bright array,  
Christ deigns to manifest today  
what glory shall be theirs above  
who joy in God with perfect love.
4. And faithful hearts are raised on high  
by this great vision's mystery;  
for which in joyful strains we raise  
the voice of prayer, the hymns of praise.
5. O Father, with the eternal Son,  
and Holy Spirit, ever One,  
vouchsafe to bring us by thy grace  
to see thy glory face to face.

## **THE SERMON**

### **THE APOSTLES' CREED:**

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.**

## **THE PRAYERS**

V. The Lord be with you.

**R. And also with you.**

V: Let us pray.

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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 forever. Amen.**

### **SUFFRAGES:**

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

**R. And grant us your salvation.**

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

**R. Let your people sing with joy.**

V. Give peace, O Lord in all the world;

**R. For only in you can we live in safety.**

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

**R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

**R. Your saving health among all nations.**

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

**R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

**R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

**V: LET US PRAY:**

### **THE COLLECT:**

#### **THE LAST SUNDAY AFER THE EPIPHANY**

O God, who before the passion of your only -begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **THE PRAYERS**

*One or more of the following prayers shall be said.*

O God, the lover of unity and author of peace, to know you is eternal life; to serve you is perfect freedom. Defend us your servants from all assaults of the enemy, that we may trust in your defence and not fear the power of any adversary; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord God, Almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Into your hands, Lord, we commend ourselves this day. Let your presence be with us to its close. Strengthen us to remember that in whatever good work we do we are serving you. Give us a diligent and watchful spirit, that we may seek in everything to know your will, and knowing it, may gladly perform it, to the honour and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the rest of the past night, and for the gift of a new day, with its opportunities of pleasing you. Grant that we may so

pass its hours in the perfect freedom of your service, that at evening we may again give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O God our Father, you have bidden light to shine out of darkness, and have awakened us again to praise your goodness and to seek your grace; make us children of the light and of the day, that our lives being open to your glory, we may shine as lights in the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **A COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS**

O God our King, by the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ on the first day of the week, you conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of everlasting life: Redeem all our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our fears, make us bold to praise you and to do your will; and steel us to wait for the consummation of your kingdom on the last great Day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### ***PRAYER OF DEDICATION***

Almighty God, we thank you  
for the gift of your Holy Word.

May it be a lantern to our feet,

A light to our paths,

And a strength to our lives.

Take us and use us to love and serve all persons

in the power of the Holy Spirit

and in the Name of your Son,

Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**



## **THE GREETING OF PEACE**

### **PRESIDENT:**

We are the Body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptized into one Body, and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

**ALL: Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.**

**PRESIDENT:** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**ALL: And also with you.**

### **SONG OF PEACE:**

#### **LET THERE BE PEACE**

Let there be peace on earth,  
And let it begin with me.  
Let there be peace on earth  
The peace that was meant to be.  
With God as our Father  
Brothers all are we.  
Let me walk with my brother  
In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me  
Let this be the moment now.  
With every step I take  
Let this be my solemn vow.  
To take each moment  
And live each moment  
With peace eternally.  
Let there be peace on earth,  
And let it begin with me.

## **THE OFFERTORY HYMN: 103**

1. O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!  
Bow down before Him, His glory proclaim;  
With gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,  
Kneel and adore Him: the Lord is His Name!
2. Low at His feet lay thy burden of carefulness,  
High on His heart He will bear it for thee,  
comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy  
prayerfulness,  
Guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.
3. Fear not to enter His courts in the slenderness  
Of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine;  
truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,  
These are the offerings to lay on His shrine.
4. These, though we bring them in trembling and  
fearfulness,  
He will accept for the Name that is dear;  
Mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,  
Trust for our trembling and hope for our fear
5. O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!  
Bow down before Him, His glory proclaim;  
With gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,  
Kneel and adore Him: the Lord is His Name!

## **THE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS**

### **PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:**

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us: this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become

through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

## **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**PRESIDENT:** The Lord be with you

**ALL:** **And also with you**

**PRESIDENT:** Lift up your hearts.

**ALL:** **We lift them up to the Lord.**

**PRESIDENT:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**ALL:** **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

### **PRESIDENT:**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God:

### **LENT**

**For you bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.**

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**ALL:**

**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!**

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER FORM D:**

**PRESIDENT:**

**A**ll glory, praise, and thanksgiving be unto you, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, You created the world and all mankind, and of your tender mercy gave your only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon Him, and to suffer death upon the cross, for our redemption. He made there, by His own oblation of Himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; and He instituted, and in His holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of His precious death, until His coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech you; and be pleased to accept, bless and sanctify these gifts and creatures of bread and wine, that they may be for us the Body and Blood of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

For, on the night He was betrayed He took bread, and

when He had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take this, and eat it: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me".

And after supper He took the cup of wine: and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, Do this for the remembrance of me.

**PRESIDENT:**

In faith we acclaim You, O Christ

**ALL: Dying, You destroyed our death;  
Rising, You restored our life;  
Christ Jesus, come in glory.**

**PRESIDENT:**

Now therefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we your servants with all your holy people, having in remembrance the blessed passion, mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension of your beloved Son, do offer unto your Divine Majesty this Bread of eternal life and this Cup of everlasting salvation, rendering thanks to you for the wonderful redemption which you have made possible for us in Him.

And we beseech you, O Father, to accept upon your heavenly altar this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and to grant that by the merits and death of your Son

Jesus Christ, and through faith in His blood, we and all your whole Church may obtain remission of our sins and all other benefits of His passion.

And we pray that by the power of your Holy Spirit all who shall be partakers of this holy Communion may be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be numbered in the glorious company of your Saints.

And here we offer and present unto you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice. And although we are unworthy to offer unto you any sacrifice, yet we beseech you to accept this, our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits but pardoning our offences;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto you, O Father Almighty, throughout all ages, world without end.

**ALL: Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**PRESIDENT:**

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

**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 forever. Amen.

## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**PRESIDENT:** We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**ALL:** Though we are many we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

## **THE AGNUS DEI:**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
 have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
 have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
 grant us peace.

## **THE INVITATION:**

### **PRESIDENT:**

Draw near and receive the Body and Blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ with faith and thanksgiving.

**ALL:** We do not presume to come to this your table, most merciful Father, trusting in our own righteousness, but only in your boundless mercy. We are not even worthy to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the Lord ever the same, ever

merciful. Grant therefore, Lord of grace and love, that we may so eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and drink His blood, that with bodies and souls made clean from every stain of sin we may evermore dwell in Him, and He in us. ***Amen.***

**PRESIDENT:**

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**ALL: Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we will sing glad songs of praise to Him.**

**HYMN FOR COMMUNION : 569**

1. Alleluia, sing to Jesus!  
 His the sceptre, his the throne;  
 alleluia, his the triumph,  
 his the victory alone:  
 hark, the songs of peaceful Sion  
 thunder like a mighty flood;  
 Jesus out of every nation  
 hath redeemed us by his blood.
  
2. Alleluia, not as orphans  
 are we left in sorrow now;  
 alleluia, he is near us,  
 faith believes, nor questions how:  
 though the cloud from sight received him,  
 when the forty days were o'er,  
 shall our hearts forget his promise,  
 'I am with you evermore'?



3. Alleluia, Bread of angels,  
thou on earth our food, our stay;  
alleluia, here the sinful  
flee to thee from day to day:  
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,  
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.
4. Alleluia, King eternal,  
thee the Lord of lords we own;  
alleluia, born of Mary,  
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:  
thou within the veil hast entered,  
robed in flesh, our great High Priest;  
thou on earth both Priest and Victim  
in the Eucharistic feast.
5. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Glory be to God on high;  
alleluia to the Saviour,  
who has gained the victory;  
alleluia to the Spirit,  
fount of love and sanctity;  
alleluia, alleluia  
to the Triune Majesty.

### **HYMN FOR THE BLESSING: 643**

1. Christ, who once amongst us  
as a child did dwell,  
is the children's Saviour,  
and he loves us well;

if we keep our promise  
made him at the font,  
he will be our Shepherd,  
and we shall not want.

2. There it was they laid us  
in those tender arms,  
where the lambs are carried  
safe from all alarms;  
if we trust his promise,  
he will let us rest  
in his arms for ever,  
leaning on his breast.
3. Though we may not see him  
for a little while,  
we shall know he holds us,  
often feel his smile;  
death will be to slumber  
in that sweet embrace,  
and we shall awaken  
to behold his face.
4. He will be our Shepherd  
after as before,  
by still heavenly waters  
lead us evermore;  
make us lie in pastures  
beautiful and green,  
where none thirst or hunger,  
and no tears are seen.

5. Jesus, our Good Shepherd,  
 laying down thy life,  
 lest thy sheep should perish  
 in the cruel strife,  
 help us to remember  
 all thy love and care,  
 trust in thee and love thee  
 always, everywhere.

### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Eternal God and Heavenly Father,  
 we thank you for feeding us  
 with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
 Send us now into the world in peace,  
 and grant us strength and courage  
 to love and serve you and all persons in you,  
 with gladness and singleness of heart,  
 through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **THE BLESSING: LENT**

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow Him; and the Blessings of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always

**ALL: Amen**

### **THE DISMISSAL**

**PRESIDENT:** Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**ALL** In the name of Christ. Amen.

## RECESSIONAL HYMN: 96

1. Alleluia, song of sweetness,  
voice of joy that cannot die;  
alleluia is the anthem  
ever dear to choirs on high:  
in the house of God abiding  
thus they sing eternally.
2. Alleluia thou resoundest,  
true Jerusalem and free;  
alleluia, joyful mother,  
all thy children sing with thee;  
but by Babylon's sad waters  
mourning exiles now are we.
3. Alleluia cannot always  
be our song while here below;  
alleluia our transgressions  
make us for awhile forgo;  
for the solemn time is coming  
when our tears for sin must flow.
4. Therefore in our hymns we pray thee,  
grant us, blessed Trinity,  
at the last to keep thine Easter  
in our home beyond the sky,  
there to thee for ever singing  
alleluia joyfully.

## ***ORGAN POSTLUDE***

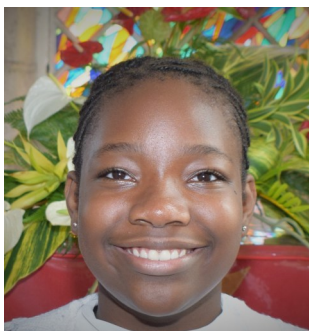
*Please feel free to depart during the postlude, mindful of those who remain to listen.*

### OUR BIRTHDAY LIST

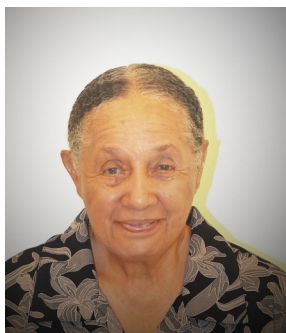
*Our records indicate that the following members are celebrating their birthdays this week. Special greetings are extended to them.*

**Field, Cecilia (Mrs.)**

**March 8**



**Alleyne, Kaitlyn (Miss)**  
**March 7**



**St. Hill, Patricia (Mrs.)**  
**March 3**

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