ST. JAMES PARISH CHURCH

Holetown, St. James, Barbados

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



ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 24, 2025

7:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Sermon Sunday School and Choir: On Leave until September. 9:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Sermon

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ORGAN PRELUDE

Dr. Philip Forde, FRCO

OPENING SENTENCE - PENTECOST

When the Spirit comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, He will bear witness to Me; and you also are witnesses, because you have been with Me from the beginning.

John 15: 26, 27

INTROIT HYMN: 3

- 1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only Light, Sun of Righteousness, arise, triumph o'er the shades of night; dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.
- Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee; joyless is the day's return, till thy mercy's beams I see; till they inward light impart, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
- 3. Visit then this soul of mine, pierce the gloom of sin and grief; fill me, Radiancy Divine, scatter all my unbelief; more and more thyself display, shining to the perfect day.

PRESIDENT

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL:

And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Alleluia! Alleluia! The following may be said by the President and people:

ALL:

Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your Name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. *Amen*.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

ALL:

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*.

THE KYRIES

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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 sin 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.

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

THE COLLECT:

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may

show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 1:4-10

After years of the people straying from God's ways, King Josiah guided them back to godliness, with Jeremiah's help. God speaks to the prophet. Since before he was born, God knew him intimately and dedicated him to his service. He will support him in this ministry, despite his youth, inexperience, and apparent lack of authority.

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah, Chapter 1, beginning at the fourth verse.

The word of the LORD came to me saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the LORD said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord."

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

"Now I have put my words in your mouth.
See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,
to pluck up and to pull down,
to destroy and to overthrow,
to build and to plant."

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

PSALM 71:1-6

The people:

This psalm is a prayer that God will continue to be a refuge and stronghold.

- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; * let me never be ashamed.
- 2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; * incline your ear to me and save me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;*you are my crag and my stronghold.
- 4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, * from the clutches of the evildoer and the

- oppressor.
- 5 For you are my hope, O Lord GoD, * my confidence since I was young.
- 6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; * my praise shall be always of you.

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: HEBREWS 12:18-29

The author contrasts the making of the old and new covenants of God with his people. When the old covenant was made at Mount Sinai, the Israelites were filled with awe and terror, but the making of the new covenant, with us, is accompanied by joy.

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Epistle to the Hebrews, Chapter 12, beginning at the eighteenth verse.

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall

be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken-- that is, created things-so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

The Word of the Lord **The people:** Thanks be to God.

HYMN FOR THE GRADUAL: 373

 O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise,

- the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace!
- Jesus! The name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;'tis music in the sinner's ears,'tis life, and health, and peace.
- 3. He speaks; and, listening to his voice, new life the dead receive, the mournful broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.
- 4. Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ; ye blind, behold your Saviour come; and leap, ye lame, for joy!
- My gracious master and my God, assist me to proclaim and spread through all the earth abroad the honours of thy name.

THE GOSPEL LUKE 13:10-17

A woman is healed of her ailment because Jesus sees her in the synagogue. She does not ask to be healed. She thanks God for her cure. Entry into the kingdom of heaven is like this. Jesus says that the sabbath, set apart for God, is for being compassionate.

Gospeler: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Gospeler: A Reading from the Holy Gospel

according to Luke.

All: Glory to Christ Our Saviour.

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath until his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

This is the Gospel of Christ

The people: Praise to Christ our Lord.

(NRSV)

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen or 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, one in Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered, died and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in fulfilment of 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.

He 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 INTERCESSION: FORM D:

LEADER: Our Heavenly Father has promised through our Lord Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith. Let us therefore pray for the Church and the World, and let us thank God for His goodness.

Silence may be kept.

LEADER: We pray for the Church of God in every place; especially for this Diocese, our Bishops, Michael, John, Rufus and Wilfred and all the people of God.

ALL: Strengthen your Church to carry forward the work of Christ; that we and all who confess your Name may unite in truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory to the world.

LEADER: We pray for our country and for all the nations of the world, especially Haiti, with its many social and economic challenges; and for all peoples in their various callings.

ALL: Direct this nation and all nations in the ways of

justice and truth. Give wisdom to all in positions of public trust and authority; that they may promote the prosperity, godliness and peace of your people everywhere.

LEADER: We pray for our own community, for this parish, for our families, friends, and all who live and work with us.

ALL: Give grace to all our friends and neighbours in Christ, that we may serve Him in one another and grow together in His love.

LEADER: We pray for the poor, the sick, the unemployed, the handicapped; all who have requested our prayers and all who seek the prayers of the Church in their time of trouble.

ALL: Give healing and strength to all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. Give them courage and hope in their troubles and sustain all those who remember and care for them.

LEADER: We commemorate the departed, especially those who have died in your faith.

ALL: We commend all people to your unfailing love, that in them your will may be fulfilled; and we rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may share with them in your eternal kingdom.

Silence may be kept.

LEADER: Accept these prayers, O Lord our God, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

ALL: Amen.

THE ACT OF PENITENCE

PRESIDENT:

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1: 8 - 9)

PRESIDENT:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

ALL:

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

THE ABSOLUTION

PRESIDENT:

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.

ALL: 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.

The President and people shall greet one another in the name of the Lord.

SONG OF PEACE: SHALOM

Jesus our Friend Divine,
Give heart and soul and mind
The world to him we bring.
To serve Almighty King.

Refrain:

Shalom shalom shalom in our hearts Shalom shalom shalom in our life Shalom shalom shalom for the world, In new community

Our Lord so loved the world Let's live in faith to God Struggle in love and hope That's how we praise the Lord.

Refrain

Your Grace unites us all In new community
Your Love and peace may fall To all humanity.

Refrain

OFFERTORY HYMN: 706

- 1. Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to heal and save; it triumphed o'er disease and death, o'er darkness and the grave: to thee they went, the blind, the dumb, the palsied, and the lame, the leper with his tainted life, the sick with fevered frame.
- 2. And lo, thy touch brought life and health, gave speech and strength and sight; and youth renewed and frenzy calmed owned thee, the Lord of light: and now, O Lord, be near to bless, almighty as of yore, in crowded street, by restless couch, as by Gennesareth's shore.
- 3. Be thou our great deliverer still, thou Lord of life and death; restore and quicken, soothe and bless, with thine almighty breath:

to hands that work and eyes that see, give wisdom's heavenly lore, that whole and sick, and weak and strong, may praise thee evermore.

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:

GENERAL PREFACE: OF GOD THE FATHER:

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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!

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER - FORM E:

PRESIDENT:

overiegn Lord and Father,
To you be glory and praise for ever.
In your boundless wisdom
you brought creation into being;
In your great love
you fashioned us in your image;
In your tender compassion
you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour,
to share our human nature;
In the power of the Holy Spirit,
He overcame the power of sin and death

and brought your people to new birth as first fruits of your new creation.

On the night that 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:

Therefore, Father, according to the command of your dearly beloved Son,

ALL:

We remember His death; We proclaim His resurrection; We await His coming in glory.

President:

And we offer you, Father, our sacrifice of thanks and praise.

Send your Holy Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine that they may become the Body and Blood of your Son, Jesus, our Lord and Redeemer. As we partake of this holy food of new and unending life, may your Holy Spirit establish us as a royal priesthood with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Nand all your sons and daughters who share in your eternal inheritance; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. With Him and in Him and through Him, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father Almighty, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, in songs of everlasting praise:

ALL:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. 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 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:

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.

COMMUNION HYMN: 615

- 1. O thou, before the world began, ordained a sacrifice for man, and by the Eternal Spirit made an offering for the sinner's stead; our everlasting priest art thou, pleading thy death for sinners now.
- 2. Thy offering still continues new before the righteous Father's view; thyself the Lamb for ever slain, thy priesthood doth unchanged remain; thy years, O God, can never fail, nor thy blest work within the veil.
- 3. O that our faith may never move but stand unshaken as thy love!
 Sure evidence of things unseen, now let it pass the years between, and view thee bleeding on the tree, my Lord, my God, who dies for me.

HYMN FOR THE BLESSING: 655

- Jesus, high in glory, lend a listening ear; when we bow before thee, children's praises hear.
- 2. Though thou art so holy, heaven's almighty King, thou wilt stoop to listen when thy praise we sing.

- We are little children,
 Weak and apt to stray;
 Saviour, guide and keep us
 In the heavenly way.
- Save us, Lord, from sinning; watch us day by day; help us now to love thee; take our sins away.
- Then, when thou shalt call us to our heavenly home, we will gladly answer; Saviour, Lord, we come!

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

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

• The St. James' Church Family would like to extend a blessed welcome to all taking part in this act of worship today.

We offer a very special welcome to all of our visitors., especially those from overseas

We also pray that this service will be an inspiration to all.

THE BLESSING: PENTECOST

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the word and works of God; and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen

RECESSIONAL HYMN: 803

- God of saints, to whom the number of the starry host is known: many saints by earth forgotten live forever round your throne
- 2. In the roll of you apostles stands the name Bartholomew; for this faithful saint we offer, year by year, our thanks to you.
- 3. All his faith, and prayer, and patience, all his toiling, and his strife, all are veiled from us, but written in the Lamb's great book of life,
- There are named the blessed faithful of the new Jerusalem.
 When Christ comes again in glory, number us, we pray, with them.

THE DISMISSAL

PRESIDENT: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

ALL In the name of Christ. Amen.

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.

Bynoe, Jennifer (Mrs.) Pollard, Coral (Miss) St. Hill, Stuart (Mr.) August 25 August 27 August 27



Eastmond, Naldine (Miss) August 24

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