

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Taos, New Mexico



THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 19, 2023

10:30 AM

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Rite II

THE PRELUDE

Pastoral (Pastoral in F Major)

J.S. Bach

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN #382

King of glory, King of peace

THE WORD OF GOD

The Book of Common Prayer

THE OPENING SENTENCES *(please stand)*

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

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.**

Bendito sea Dios, Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo. *(Todos de pie)*

Y bendito sea su reino, ahora y siempre. Amén.

Dios omnipotente, para quien todos los corazones están manifiestos, todos los deseos son conocidos y ningún secreto se halla encubierto: Purifica los pensamientos de nuestros corazones por la inspiración de tu Santo Espíritu, para que perfectamente te amemos y dignamente proclamemos la grandeza de tu santo Nombre; por Cristo nuestro Señor. **Amén.**

THE HYMN OF PRAISE #377 (vs 1)

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to
the Lord with cheerful voice: him serve
with mirth, his praise forth tell, come ye
before him and rejoice.

THE COLLECT

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

El Señor sea con ustedes.

Y con tu espíritu.

Let us pray Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ZEPHANIAH (*be seated*)

1:7,12-18

Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm." Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

UNA LECTURA DEL LIBRO DE SOFONIAS (*Se sienta*)

1:7,12-18

¡Calla delante del Señor Dios!, porque el día del Señor está cerca, porque el Señor ha preparado un sacrificio, ha consagrado a sus invitados. Y sucederá en aquel tiempo que yo escudriñaré a Jerusalén con lámparas, y castigaré a los hombres que reposan como el vino en sus heces, los que dicen en su corazón: "Ni bien ni mal hará el Señor." Sus riquezas se convertirán en despojos, y sus casas en desolación; edificarán casas, mas no las habitarán, plantarán viñas, mas no beberán su vino. Cercano está el gran día del Señor, cercano y muy próximo. El clamor del día del Señor es amargo; allí gritará el guerrero. Día de ira aquel día, día de congoja y de angustia, día de destrucción y desolación, día de tinieblas y lóbreguez, día nublado y de densa oscuridad, día de trompeta y grito de guerra contra las ciudades fortificadas y contra los torreones de las esquinas. Traeré angustia sobre los hombres, y andarán como ciegos, porque han pecado contra el Señor; su sangre será derramada como polvo, y su carne como estiércol. Ni su plata ni su oro podrán librarlos en el día de la ira del Señor, cuando por el fuego de su celo toda la tierra sea consumida; porque El hará una destrucción total y terrible de todos los habitantes de la tierra.

Palabra de Señor.

Demos gracias a Dios.

THE PSALM (*sung by the choir*)

Psalms 90:1-12

- 1 Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to another.
- 2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born,
from age to age you are God.

3 You turn us back to the dust and say,
"Go back, O child of earth."
4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past
and like a watch in the night.
5 You sweep us away like a dream;
we fade away suddenly like the grass.
6 In the morning it is green and flourishes;
in the evening it is dried up and withered.
7 For we consume away in your displeasure;
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.
8 Our iniquities you have set before you,
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
9 When you are angry, all our days are gone;
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.
10 The span of our life is seventy years,
perhaps in strength even eighty;
yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow,
for they pass away quickly and we are gone.
11 Who regards the power of your wrath?
who rightly fears your indignation?
12 So teach us to number our days
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

A READING FROM THE FIRST BOOK OF THE THESSALONIANS

5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Ahora bien, hermanos, con respecto a los tiempos y a las épocas, no tenéis necesidad de que se os escriba nada. Pues vosotros mismos sabéis perfectamente que el día del Señor vendrá así como un ladrón en la noche; que cuando estén diciendo: Paz y seguridad, entonces la destrucción vendrá sobre ellos repentinamente, como dolores de parto a una mujer que está encinta, y no escaparán. Mas vosotros, hermanos, no estáis en tinieblas, para que el día os sorprenda como ladrón; porque todos vosotros sois hijos de luz e hijos del día. No somos de la noche ni de las tinieblas. Por tanto, no durmamos como los demás, sino estemos alerta y seamos sobrios. Porque los que duermen, de noche duermen, y los que se emborrachan, de noche se emborrachan. Pero puesto que nosotros somos del día, seamos sobrios, habiéndonos puesto la coraza de la fe y del amor, y por yelmo la esperanza de la salvación. Porque no nos ha destinado Dios para ira, sino para obtener salvación por medio de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, que murió por nosotros, para que ya sea que estemos despiertos o dormidos, vivamos juntamente con El. Por tanto, alentaos los unos a los otros, y edificaos el uno al otro, tal como lo estáis haciendo.

Palabra del Señor.

Demos gracias a Dios.

THE SEQUENCE #660

O Master, let me walk with thee

THE GOSPEL READING (*please stand*)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Matthew 25:14-30

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be

given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

EL SANTO EVANGELIO SEGÚN SAN MATEO. *(Todos de pie)*

22:34-46

El Santo Evangelio de nuestro Señor Jesucristo según San Mateo.

¡Gloria a ti, Cristo Señor!

Porque el reino de los cielos es como un hombre que al emprender un viaje, llamó a sus siervos y les encomendó sus bienes. Y a uno le dio cinco talentos, a otro dos, y a otro uno, a cada uno conforme a su capacidad; y se fue de viaje. El que había recibido los cinco talentos, enseguida fue y negoció con ellos y ganó otros cinco talentos. Asimismo el que había recibido los dos talentos ganó otros dos. Pero el que había recibido uno, fue y cavó en la tierra y escondió el dinero de su señor. Después de mucho tiempo vino el señor de aquellos siervos, y arregló cuentas con ellos. Y llegando el que había recibido los cinco talentos, trajo otros cinco talentos, diciendo: "Señor, me entregaste cinco talentos; mira, he ganado otros cinco talentos." Su señor le dijo: "Bien, siervo bueno y fiel; en lo poco fuiste fiel, sobre mucho te pondré; entra en el gozo de tu señor." Llegando también el de los dos talentos, dijo: "Señor, me entregaste dos talentos; mira, he ganado otros dos talentos." Su señor le dijo: "Bien, siervo bueno y fiel; en lo poco fuiste fiel, sobre mucho te pondré; entra en el gozo de tu señor." Pero llegando también el que había recibido un talento, dijo: "Señor, yo sabía que eres un hombre duro, que siegas donde no sembraste y recoges donde no esparciste, y tuve miedo, y fui y escondí tu talento en la tierra; mira, aquí tienes lo que es tuyo." Pero su señor respondió, y le dijo: "Siervo malo y perezoso, sabías que siego donde no sembré, y que recojo donde no esparcí. "Debías entonces haber puesto mi dinero en el banco, y al llegar yo hubiera recibido mi dinero con intereses. "Por tanto, quitadle el talento y dádsele al que tiene los diez talentos." Porque a todo el que tiene, más se le dará, y tendrá en abundancia; pero al que no tiene, aun lo que tiene se le quitará. Y al siervo inútil, echadlo en las tinieblas de afuera; allí será el llanto y el crujir de dientes.

El Evangelio del Señor.

Te alabamos, Cristo Señor.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Alan Gibson

THE NICENE CREED (please stand ~ Todos de pie)

**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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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 and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (stand or kneel)

Celebrant: Gather us together, O God, that we might share the prayers, intentions,
and thanksgivings of our community.

We are generous with our gifts,
Because we are Rooted in Abundance.

Leader: I ask your prayers for the Church, for all who worship God this day. For our clergy, our diocesan leaders, and for our congregation. We pray especially for this season in which we celebrate our stories of leadership and our support for our ministry's.

We are generous with our gifts of leadership,
Because we are Rooted in Abundance.

Leader: I ask your prayers for our Nation and all nations; for refugees fleeing climate change and war; for conflicts of resources and land; for lawmakers, peacekeepers, and informed citizens. We pray for a distribution of wealth that helps the poor and the marginalized.

We are generous with our gifts of peace,
Because we are Rooted in Abundance.

Leader: I ask your prayers for the sick, the lonely, the lost, and those who grieve. We remember those on our parish prayer list, especially Sandy, John, Doug, Michael, Lorry, Gail, Hayden, Alisa, June, Hiram & family, Sandra, Beanna, Bernadine, Janet, Mary Ann, Ingrid, Tracy, Peter, Laurie, Anne Marie, Shannon, John, Tony, Janelle, Michael, Mary, Pam, Carol, Jude, David, Allison, Julia, Loretta, Chris, Lucas, Lindsay, Amy, Ron, Bill, Chris, Izumi, Catherine, Joy, Mark, Vincent, and those we name now in silence or aloud.

We are generous with our gifts of healing,
Because we are Rooted in Abundance.

Leader: I ask your prayers for those who have died, those who are dying, and those who mourn. For those on our parish list, and for those we name now in silence or aloud.

We are generous with our gifts of support.
Because we are Rooted in Abundance.

Leader: I ask for your remembrances of thanksgivings and blessings, for we are given time, talent, and treasure to share with the world ...

We are generous with our gratitude,
Because we are Rooted in Abundance.

Leader: I ask for your remembrances of thanksgivings and blessings, for we are given time, talent, and treasure to share with the world.

We are generous with our gratitude,
Because we are Rooted in Abundance.

Celebrant: Hear the prayers of your people, Creator God. May we who are blessed by so much wealth and wisdom, share our works with a world in need. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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 your Son 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.**

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

THE PEACE (please stand)
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

LA PAZ (Todos de pie)
La paz del Señor sea siempre con ustedes.
Y con tu espíritu.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by
the people of St. James.*

HOLY COMMUNION

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.
Ephesians 5:2

THE OFFERTORY

Cantate Domino (sung in Latin)
Sing praises to the Lord, sing him a new song,
Sing praises all ye citizens of heaven.
Let Israel rejoice in praise to the God who made us,
And children of Zion exalt in your king of glory.
Bless his name forever
with timbrel and dance and singing
with stringed instruments praise him.

Heinrich Schütz

Psalm 149:1-3

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (please stand)

Eucharistic Prayer A

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

(Here a Proper Preface is said.)

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. The score includes triplets for the final 'na' in 'Hosanna' and the final 'est' in 'highest'.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.
 Christ is risen,
 Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
 (Oremos, como nuestro Salvador Cristo nos enseñó,)

**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,
 the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Padre nuestro que estás en cielo,
 santificado sea tu Nombre,
 venga tu reino,
 hágase tu voluntad,
 en la tierra como en el cielo.
 Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
 Perdona nuestras ofensas,
 como también nosotros perdonamos
 a los que nos ofenden.
 No nos dejes caer en tentación
 y libranos del mal.
 Porque tuyo es el reino, and
 tuyo es el poder, y la gloria,
 ahora y por siempre. Amén.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
 world: have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you
 take a-way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

THE INVITATION

The Gifts of God for you, the people of God.

All who come in faith are invited to receive Holy Communion at St. James.

We believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

You may stand or kneel at the altar rail when receiving the Bread and Wine.

You may choose to receive the bread or gluten free bread only.

Communion is complete in either form.

Cross your arms over your breast if you wish only to receive a blessing.

As the Bread & Wine are given to communicants is said:

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. (Amen)

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. (Amen)

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER during Stewardship Season (Please stand. Todos depie.)

Let us pray.....

God of Abundance and Grace,

By the provision of this feast,

the Sacrament of our Savior, Jesus Christ

You have united us together in purpose and place.

May we who have gathered and broken bread

Now share the living Word, being rooted in Abundance;

Serving you with joy and steadfast faith,

Through Jesus Christ, our head. Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN #559

Lead us, heavenly Father

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

BIRTHDAYS

11-19 Mike Flood, Pam Tyler

11-22 Gwen Glenn

11-24 Michael Hartmann, Quito Bailey

No Anniversaries for the week

THE SAINT JAMES STAFF

The Reverend Mike Olsen, Priest-in-Charge

The Very Reverend Jill Cline, Associate Priest/Youth Minister

The Reverend Alan Gibson, Assisting Priest

The Reverend Jerome Williams, Deacon

The Reverend LeAnna Brun, Deacon

Nina Elmshaeuser, Postulant

Erick Brunner, Director of Music

Mary Gates, Assistant Organist

Rusty Gaston, Director of Food Pantry Ministry

Krystle Struck, Parish Administrator

Amanda Allalunis, Bookkeeper

Brian Uerling, Treasurer

Michael Hartmann, Sexton

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