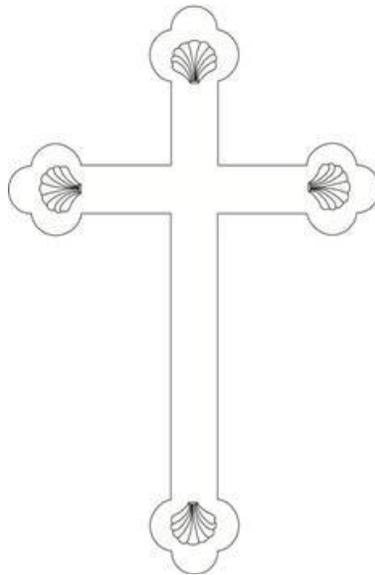


St. James Episcopal Church

Taos, New Mexico

Sharing ourselves and our faith with others.



Morning Prayer

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 6, 2020

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Book of Common Prayer

THE PRELUDE

THE OPENING SENTENCE

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Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.
Psalm 43:3

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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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.**

THE ABSOLUTION

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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 INVITATORY AND PSALTER

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Lord, open our lips.

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; Come let us adore him.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast,

**Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil,
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.**

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;
death no longer has dominion over him.

**The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all;
but the life he lives, he lives to God.**

So also consider yourselves dead to sin,
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

**Christ has been raised from the dead,
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.**

For since by a man came death,
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

**For as in Adam all die,
so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.**

PSALM 149

1 Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

**2 Let Israel rejoice in his Maker;
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.**

3 Let them praise his Name in the dance;
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

**4 For the Lord takes pleasure in his people
and adorns the poor with victory.**

5 Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;
let them be joyful on their beds.

**6 Let the praises of God be in their throat
and a two-edged sword in their hand;**

7 To wreak vengeance on the nations
and punishment on the peoples;

**8 To bind their kings in chains
and their nobles with links of iron;**

9 To inflict on them the judgment decreed;
this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah!

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND SONG OF ISAIAH

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Seek the Lord while he wills to be found;
call upon him when he draws near.

**Let the wicked forsake their ways
and the evil ones their thoughts;**

And let them turn to the Lord, and he will have compassion,
and to our God, for he will richly pardon.

**For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor your ways my ways, says the Lord.**

For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways,
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

**For as rain and snow fall from the heavens
and return not again, but water the earth,**

Bringing forth life and giving growth,
seed for sowing and bread for eating,

**So is my word that goes forth from my mouth;
it will not return to me empty;**

But it will accomplish that which I have purposed,
and prosper in that for which I sent it.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE SONG OF SIMEON

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Lord, you now have set your servant free
to go in peace as you have promised;

**For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior,
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:**

A Light to enlighten the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

THE SERMON

The Very Reverend Mac Brown

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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**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

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE SUFFRAGES

Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
Govern and uphold them, now and always.

Day by day we bless you;
We praise your name for ever.

Lord, keep us from all sin today;
Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.

Lord, show us your love and mercy;
For we put our trust in you.

In you, Lord, is our hope;
And we shall never hope in vain.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

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Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS

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O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR PEACE

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O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A PRAYER FOR MISSION

p. 101

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE INTERCESSIONS

Gracious God, we pray for our parish family. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble especially those on our Parish Prayer List: Iris, Genie, Sandy, John, Rosemary, Marieke, Doug, Bill, Michael, Cynthia Anne, Lorry, Martha, Kelly, Kurt, Sue, Jean, Ben, Elaine. Wendy, Mike Quartermaine, Harvey G. Joy, Andrew, Mark, Raymundo. Caryle, Sheila, Roy, Susanne, Liz, the Stinson family.

Give to Myriah Stinson and all the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Bless all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week especially: Colin Nicholls, Gail Lowry, Natividad Burns, Terry Pennington, Amy & Tom Duke, John & Rosemary Cain, Erick & Tricia Stammberger.

Please include your own prayers and petitions now, either silently or aloud.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

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Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
We your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for
all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our
Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

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Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our
common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son
that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of
them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us
in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CLOSING SENTENCE

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy
Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

THE ORGAN BENEDICTION

God Be With You

God be with you til we meet again.
By His counsels guide, uphold you.
With His sheep securely fold you.
God be with you till we meet again.