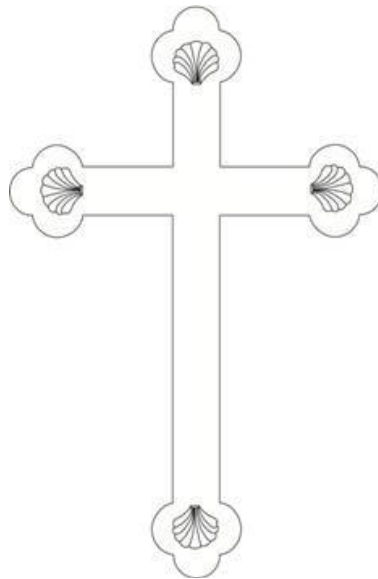


St. James Episcopal Church

Taos, New Mexico

Sharing ourselves and our faith with others.



Morning Prayer

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 11, 2020

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Book of Common Prayer

THE PRELUDE

Priere a Notre Dame
Mary Gates - Organ

Leon Boellmann

THE OPENING SENTENCE

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The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.

Habakkuk 2:20

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.

VENITE *Read responsively by whole verse.*

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Come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.

**In his hand are the caverns of the earth,
and the heights of the hills are his also.**

The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands have molded the dry land.

**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

PSALM 106:1-6,19-23

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1 Hallelujah! Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his mercy endures for ever.

**2 Who can declare the mighty acts of the Lord
or show forth all his praise?**

3 Happy are those who act with justice
and always do what is right!

**4 Remember me, O Lord, with the favor you have for your people,
and visit me with your saving help;**

5 That I may see the prosperity of your elect
and be glad with the gladness of your people,
that I may glory with your inheritance.

**6 We have sinned as our forebears did;
we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.**

19 Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb
and worshiped a molten image;

**20 And so they exchanged their Glory
for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.**

21 They forgot God their Savior,
who had done great things in Egypt,

**22 Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham,
and fearful things at the Red Sea.**

23 So he would have destroyed them, had not Moses, his chosen,
stood before him in the breach, to turn away his wrath from consuming them.

**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

Exodus 32:1-14

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A THIRD SONG OF ISAIAH

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Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.

**For behold, darkness covers the land;
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.**

But over you the Lord will rise,
and his glory will appear upon you.

**Nations will stream to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.**

Your gates will always be open;
by day or night they will never be shut.

**They will call you, The City of the Lord,
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.**

Violence will no more be heard in your land,
ruin or destruction within your borders.

**You will call your walls, Salvation,
and all your portals, Praise.**

The sun will no more be your light by day;
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.

**The Lord will be your everlasting light,
and your God will be your glory.**

**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 22:1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE SONG OF THE REDEEMED

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O ruler of the universe, Lord God, great deeds are they that you have done
surpassing human understanding.

**Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth,
O King of all the ages.**

Who can fail to do you homage, Lord, and sing the praises of your Name?
for you only are the Holy One.

**All nations will draw near and fall down before you,
because your just and holy works have been revealed.**

**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 Reverend Mike Olsen

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

p. 97

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

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Show us your mercy, O Lord;
And grant us your salvation.
Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
Let your people sing with joy.
Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
For only in you can we live in safety.
Lord, keep this nation under your care;
And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Let your way be known upon earth;
Your saving health among all nations.
Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
Create in us clean hearts, O God;
And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

p. 234

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; 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

p. 98

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 GUIDANCE

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Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A PRAYER FOR MISSION

p. 101

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **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, Alexandra, Susanne, Wendy, Shirley, Derek, Amanda, Don, Mark, Joy, Andrew, Mark, Raymundo. Caryle, Roy.

Give to Mary S. Boardman and all the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Bless all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week: Ray Corral, Elizabeth Halley, Tricia Stammberger, Caryle & Bill Zorumski.

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

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

p. 101

**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

To read about our parish activities please go to our website: www.stjamestaos.com

Or consult your weekly St. James Email Newsletter.

If you do not receive it and wish to, please notify Gwen: office@stjamestaos.org

THE CLOSING SENTENCE

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine; Glory to him from generation to generation in the church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **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.