

Creation Season



Holy Eucharist with a Celtic Twist

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Bishop's Visitation

September 25, 2022

St. James Parish, Essex Junction, VT

Liturgy of the Word

Welcome! If you are visiting we offer you a special welcome. If you are with us on Zoom and would like more information about our parish, please send the Zoom Usher a chat message, or email office@stjamesvt.org with your name, where you're from, and your email address. On Zoom, please keep microphones muted for most of the service. If you are reading a lesson or adding a prayer request aloud during the time of prayers, please unmute yourself, then mute yourself again. In person, sitting distances are observed and masks may be worn. Please be mindful of the level of comfort of others.

During the *Season of Creation*, we join with billions of Christians around the world to celebrate in prayer and action our Gospel calling to protect the Earth that God has entrusted to our care. The bell will ring when the service is about to begin.

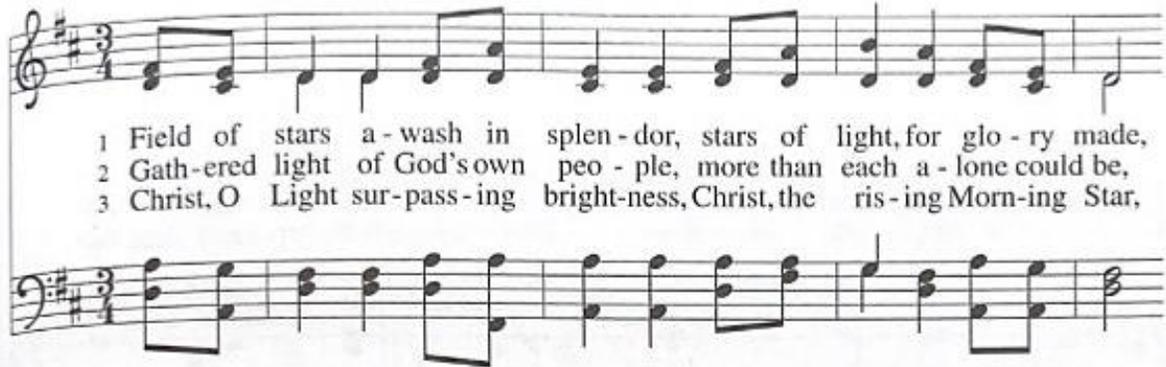
Bell Choir Prelude: Prelude on Holy Manna

arr. Cathy Marker

Opening Hymn: Field of stars awash in splendor

Susan Palo Cherwien

All stand as able.



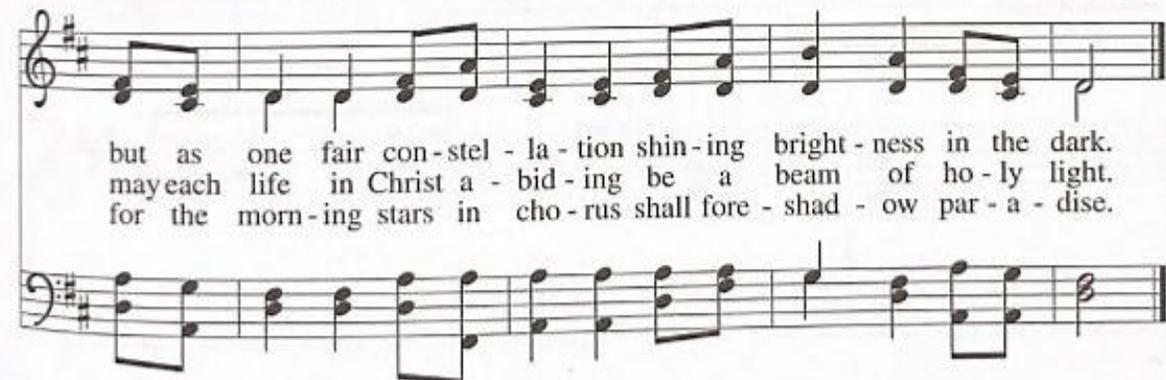
1 Field of stars a-wash in splen-dor, stars of light, for glo-ry made,
2 Gath-ered light of God's own peo-ple, more than each a-lone could be,
3 Christ, O Light sur-pass-ing bright-ness, Christ, the ris-ing Morn-ing Star,



with the light of Christ for-ev-er for the u-ni-verse ar-rayed:
called to serve, be-loved and no-ble, splen-did in com-mu-ni-ty:
light our days and shine out from us in-to shad-ed fields a-far.



not a-lone, your life's cre-a-tion, not a-lone, your dai-ly arc,
man-y are the gifts of bless-ing, man-y are the wards of night,
Let the saints sing joy in glo-ry, let God's beau-ty glo-rious rise,



but as one fair con-stel-la-tion shin-ing bright-ness in the dark.
may each life in Christ a-bid-ing be a beam of ho-ly light.
for the morn-ing stars in cho-rus shall fore-shad-ow par-a-dise.

Opening Acclamation

Presider The God of love is with us.
People **The Spirit of love is in us.**
Presider Blessed is the Holy Spirit, the breath of God.
People **Let the winds and all creation praise you.**
Presider The Lord of the four winds be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray

Presider and People

Almighty and eternal God, to you our hearts are open and our inmost desires known. We cannot hide our most intimate secrets from you. Be present at all times in our thoughts and hearts and purify them with your Holy Spirit, so that we may love you with the love of the Spirit and praise your name with humility and joy; through Christ our Savior. Amen.

Song of Praise

The congregation may sing the top or bottom part as desired

brightly

Glo - ry to God; Praise to the Son;
Glo - ry to God; Praise to the
Love to the Spi - rit; Three and yet One.
Son; Love to the Three and yet One.

Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.
People **And also with you**
Presider Let us pray.

Presider and People

O Creator God, you are known by your loving embrace of the undeserving and those who suffer: Grant us sight of your justice and conviction to love all creatures; through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of Creation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

All may sit.

First Reading: Amos 6:1a,4-7

Reader: A reading from the Book of the Prophet Amos.

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria. Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

A brief period of silence is observed to offer time to reflect on the reading.

Psalm 146

Read in a manner chosen by the Presider: direct recitation (unison) or responsive recitation (Presider and People) alternating either by verse or at the asterisk.

- 1 Alleluia! Praise God, O my soul! *
I will praise God as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *
for there is no help in them.

- 3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *
and in that day their thoughts perish.
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, *
whose hope is in their God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
whose promise abides for ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed *
and food to those who hunger.
- 7 God sets the prisoners free
and opens the eyes of the blind; *
God lifts up those who are bowed down;
- 8 God loves the righteous
and cares for the stranger; *
God sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.
- 9 God shall reign for ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Alleluia!

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

Reader: A reading from Paul's first letter to Timothy.

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time-- he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to

do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem: Ain'a that Good News

LEVAS 180

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

In a Eucharist service, all stand (as able) for the reading of the Gospel.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ According to Luke.
People **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house-- for I have five brothers-- that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

Deacon The Gospel of Christ
People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

All sit.

Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Shannon MacVean-Brown

All stand as able.

The Bishop then says these or similar words

Let us renew our baptismal covenant.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?
People I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People 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.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People 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.

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread,
and in the prayers ?
People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return
to the Lord?
People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every
human being?
People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. *Amen.*

Thanksgivings and Concerns

The people respond with "hear our prayer" You are invited to add your own prayers, silently or aloud, in the moments indicated.

Deacon We pray for the needs of all people throughout the world, remembering that we are God's people and the hand of love on earth.

Intercessor Eternal God: We thank you for the beauty of the World: for the teeming life of the seas, the flight of birds, and the diversity of animal life. Grant us grace to treat Creation with respect and care; to protect endangered species, to preserve the variety of habitats, and to honor the delicate balance of nature.

Intercessor God of life:
People *hear our prayer.*

We thank you for the wealth of blessings from land and sea; for the power of wind, and the warmth of sun. We pray for the nations of the earth, give us the will to cherish this planet and to use its resources sustainably for the welfare of all. I invite your prayers of thanksgiving.

During a pause the Intercessor invites prayers of thanksgiving to be offered aloud, first from the in-person group and then from online worshippers. After all prayers have been offered, the Intercessor continues.

Intercessor God of life:
People *hear our prayer.*

We pray for the faithful witness of the Church, called to reconcile and heal: For this parish and for Bishop, Shannon, Priest, Kim, and Deacon, Dave. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Dunstan's Church in Waitsfield and Bob Stevens, Senior Warden. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Anglican Church of Burundi. We give thanks and pray for Dick Studley who is celebrating a birthday this week; and Nick and Julia Mellish and Zachary and Leslie Grimes who are celebrating wedding anniversaries this week.

Intercessor God of life:
People *hear our prayer.*

We pray for the human family. We exult in our diversity and giftedness, we repent of our sins, divisions and violence. By the power of your Spirit, restore your image within us. As every human being is known and loved by you, may we care for one another with love and respect. We pray for those you have commended to our care: Lydia Thompson, Marlene Emerson; Paul, age 12 who has Lyme disease, grandson of Donna Prior Sullivan; Lindsey Huddle, Laurel Woods; the Gilbert

family, especially Hannah, and Matt’s father who suffered a stroke; Valerie Rochon; Jenny Ogelby, Sandra Ashley, Sandy Jones, and Grace.

I invite your prayers of intercession.

During a pause the Intercessor invites prayers of intercession to be offered aloud, first from the in-person group and then from online worshippers. After all prayers have been offered, the Intercessor continues.

Intercessor God of life:
People hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died and those who mourn whom we entrust to your eternal love; especially for all who have died of the coronavirus and for their loved ones, those who have died in the conflict in Ukraine and those who have died from the violence perpetrated by guns. May we support and comfort those who mourn. I invite your prayer for those who have died.

During a pause the Intercessor invites prayers of for the dead to be offered aloud, first from the in-person group and then from online worshippers. After all prayers have been offered, the Intercessor continues.

Intercessor God of life:
People hear our prayer.

The Intercessor offers a Prayer for Justice:

Creator of the Universe, source of all goodness and love, we ask wisdom, help, and guidance as we work to counter the many instances of injustice and racism in our world. Help us to value differences in culture, religious beliefs, and physical appearance, and celebrate the God-made wonder of every human being. Help us to be vigilant, working against racial and social injustice in our own hearts and in the world around us, that we may live into our baptismal covenant to “strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being. Amen.

The Presider offers the concluding prayer

Creating God, your name is written on every leaf, every bird, every river, every stone, every living being. We praise and worship you for the magnificence of your creation. Make us attentive to the wounds of the earth and willing to work for the healing of the whole creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence is observed

All

Holy and merciful God,
we confess that we have failed to honor you
by rightly claiming our kinship with all your creatures.
We have walked heavily on your earth,
overused and wasted its resources,
taken for granted its beauty and abundance,
and treated its inhabitants unjustly,
Holding future generations hostage to our greed.
Have mercy on us and forgive us our sin.
Renew in us the resolve to keep and conserve your earth
as you desire and intend,
with grateful and compassionate hearts,
through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Presider says

May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit enable you to grow in love. **Amen.**

Sign of Peace

Presider Peace with yourself.
 Peace with Creation.
 Peace with one another.
 The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

If you are in person, please feel free to share the peace with those near to you. Please be mindful that some may want a “touchless” peace. In this case, the peace may be shared in various ways such as the prayer to heart position. Please be mindful of others’ need to keep distance during this time. On Zoom, please either open your microphone to share the peace aloud or visually give a sign of peace or share your peace in the chat box.

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Liturgy of the Table

Presider All things are yours, O God of all creation,
People And so we return our gifts of treasure to you.

Offertory Hymn: Open your ears

Hymnal 536

All stand as able



1 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple,
2 They who have ears to hear the mes - sage,
3 Is - ra - el comes to greet the Sa - vior,
4 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple,



o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O
they who have ears, then let them hear. They who would learn the
Ju - dah is glad to see his day. From east and west the
o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O



roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.
way of wis - dom, let them hear God's word.
peo - ples trav - el, he will show the way.
roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.



God has spo - ken to his peo - ple, Hal - le - lu - jah!



And his words are words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu -



jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! God has spo - ken to his peo - ple,
To - rah o - ra, To - rah o - ra,



Hal - le - lu - jah! And his words are
To - rah o - ra,



words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu - jah!
To - rah o - ra, Hal - le - lu - jah!

"Torah ora" is Hebrew for, "The Law is our Light."

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider

We offer you praise and hearts lifted high, O God. You breathe your Spirit into us, and by the blowing of gentle breezes, remind us of the constancy of your loving presence. Your glory is in the breath of each created thing, and through your creation we see the holiness and wonder of your being. And so with all the hosts of heaven and earth, with winds that howl and gentle breezes that sooth, we join in the praises of your unending greatness.

Presider and People

The musical score is written in G minor (one flat) and 4/4 time. It features five staves of music with lyrics underneath. The first staff is divided into two parts: 'Cantor' and 'All'. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Gi - chi Ma - ni - doo, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The music includes various note values, rests, and a fermata over the final 'est.'.

Title: *Holy, holy, holy Lord [Sanctus (Red Lake)]* Music: Monte Mason (b. 1949) after melodies found in *Chippewa Music* by Frances Densmore Copyright: © 1996 Monte Mason

Presider

Blessed are you, O God, for the great day of salvation prepared from the beginning of the world, when Christ, though rejected on earth, will be seen by all to be precious in your sight. We bless you that Christ carried the world's destructive powers to the cross that all might be set free. Through Christ you inspire in us the hope that earth's forces of darkness will be scattered, and angels of glory, and principalities of light will bring a new heaven and a new earth.

Just as prophets long before Christ had spoken of the sufferings that would be his, so Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and having blessed it, he broke the bread, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take, eat; this is my body which is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way he took wine, and having given thanks for it, he gave the cup to his disciples, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Remembering his eternal self-giving...

People

**We proclaim the mystery of Christ among us.
Made one with him and one with each other,
we offer these gifts and with them ourselves.**

Presider

Breathe your Spirit upon us, O God, and upon this bread and this wine that they may be heaven's food and drink for us, the body and blood of Jesus Christ. May this sacrament make us strong again with the strength that only you can supply.

Help us to grow more and more into Jesus' likeness. Nourish our inner selves that in the outward things of life we may follow the way of Christ, by whom with whom, and in whom in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, Almighty God, world without end. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider

As the Wisdom before Creation teaches us, we pray.

People and Presider

Holy One, our only Home,
hallowed be your name.
May your day dawn,
your will be done,
here as in heaven.
Feed us today,
and forgive us as we forgive each other.
Do not forsake us at the test,
but deliver us from evil.
For the glory, the power,
and the mercy are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of Bread

The breaking of the bread is followed by a silence.

Fraction Anthem

Presider We will take what you offer, we will live by your word;
People **We will love one another and be fed by you, Lord.**

The Presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy food for Holy People.

A moment of silence is observed.

With the in-person community, the worship leaders will be stationed on either side of the Parish Hall to disperse communion. We are currently receiving in one kind only (bread). Please approach from the side aisles and return to your seats down the middle aisle. Please let the server know if you need a gluten-free wafer.

1. As we gath - er at your
2. Turn our wor - ship in - to

Ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your Word, help us
wit - ness in the sac - ra - ment of life; send us

know, O God, your pres - ence; let our hearts and minds be
forth to love and serve you, bring - ing peace where there is

stirred. Nour - ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we
strife. Give us, Christ, your great com - pas - sion to for -

claim it as our own; teach us through this ho - ly
give as you for - gave; may we still be - hold your

ban - quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.
in - age in the world you died to save. *to verse 3*

3. Gra - cious Spi - rit, help us

sum - mon oth - er guests to share that Feast where tri -

um - phant Love will wel - come those who had been last and

least. There no more will en - vy blind us nor will

pride our peace des - troy, as we join with saints and

an - gels to re - peat the sound - ing joy.

Words: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (B. 1944)

Music: Raquel Skinner Chávez-Melo (1944-1992)

Postcommunion Prayer

The people stand as able.

Presider Let us pray.

Presider and People

The vitality of God be ours this day
the vitality of the God of life.

The passion of Christ be ours this day
the passion of the Christ of love.
The wakefulness of the Spirit be ours this day
the wakefulness of the Spirit of justice.

The vitality and passion and wakefulness of God be ours
that we may be fully alive this day
the vitality and passion and wakefulness of God
that we may be fully alive.

All may sit.

Community Announcements

Blessing

All stand as able. The Bishop blesses the people.

May your blessing be upon your people O God,
as we go forward from worship.
Use our hands to carry the burden.
Use our voice to carry your word.
Use our feet to walk in your footsteps.
Use our hearts to transform the world. **Amen.**

Dismissal – Commitment in Service for Creation

The Deacon says

Deacon Please join together in dedicating ourselves to care of the Earth.

Deacon We join with the Earth and with each other
People To bring new life to the land
To restore the waters
To refresh the air.

Deacon We join with the Earth and with each other
People To renew the forests
To care for the plants
To protect the creatures.

Deacon We join with the Earth and with each other
People To celebrate the seas
To rejoice in the sunlight
To sing the song of the stars.

Deacon We join with the Earth and with each other
People To recreate the human community
To promote justice and peace
To remember our children.

Deacon We join with the Earth and with each other
All We join together as many and diverse
expressions of one loving mystery:
for the healing of the Earth
and the renewal of all life. Amen.

1. Guide my feet Lord, while I run this race.
 2. Hold my hand Lord, while I run this race.
 3. Stand by me Lord, while I run this race.

Guide my feet Lord, while I run this race.
 Hold my hand Lord, while I run this race.
 Stand by me Lord, while I run this race.

Guide my feet Lord, while I run this race, 'cause I
 Hold my hand Lord, while I run this race. 'cause I
 Stand by me Lord, while I run this race. 'cause I

don't want to run this race in vain.
 don't want to run this race in vain.
 don't want to run this race in vain.

Please join us for coffee and refreshments.

Liturgical Ministers

Presider and Preacher: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Shannon McVean-Brown

Co-Presider: The Rev. Kim Hardy

Deacon: The Rev. Dn. Dave Ganter

Lector: Frances Huessy

Intercessor: Denise Noble

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IN OUR PRAYERS

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Dunstan's Church in Waitsfield and Bob Stevens, Senior Warden. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Anglican Church of Burundi.

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Birthdays: Dick Studley, September 29

Anniversaries: Nick & Julia Mellish, September 25
Zachary & Leslie Grimes, September 28

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Collect of the Day, Prayers of the People (modified), Confession, Peace, Dismissal from Season of Creation.

*Concluding Collect at the Prayers of the People from Season of Creation – from Päivi Jussila and Gail Ramshaw ed., *Koinonia: Services and Prayers* (The Lutheran World Federation, 2003).*

Offertory Sentence and the Great Thanksgiving from An Earthful of Glory by John Phillip Newell (modified).

The Lord's Prayer also from Season of Creation written by Martha Blacklock, Mother Thunder Mission, "Honoring God in Creation."

Closing Prayer – edited from Celtic Benediction by John Philip Newell. Blessing modified from a resource found at www.faithandworship.com

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If you would like to participate as occasional musician, intercessor, lector, chalice, altar server, or social hour host, please contact Amma Kim at ammakim@stjamesvt.org. We invite you to visit our website to learn more about us at www.stjamesvt.org

We hope that you feel the Spirit of God moving above, below, around and within during our time together. If you would like to receive a monthly newsletter about parish activities please speak to one of the worship leaders or fill out a "Let's Get Acquainted" card.

Please join us for a brief Compline service with music online Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

[Compline Zoom Link](#)



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St. James Episcopal Church Calendar

Sunday, September 25

8:30 Lectionary Discussion
9:15 Youth Choir
**10:00 Holy Eucharist and
Bishop's Visitation**

Monday, September 26

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James

Tuesday, September 27

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James
9:00 Bell Choir

Wednesday, September 28

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James
6:30 Vestry Meeting

Thursday, September 29

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James
3:00 Senior Choir
7:00 Compline

Friday, September 30

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James

Saturday, October 1

9:00 – 1:30 VT Mandir, Parish Hall

Sunday, October 2

8:30 Lectionary Discussion
9:15 Youth Choir
10:00 Children's Chapel
10:00 Morning Prayer

Monday, October 3

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James

Tuesday, October 4

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James
9:00 Bell Choir

Wednesday, October 5

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James

Thursday, October 6

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James
3:00 Senior Choir
7:00 Compline

Friday, October 7

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James

Saturday, October 8

9:00 – 1:30 VT Mandir, Parish Hall

