



**Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Proper 27; Iona Community Liturgy #3**  
**November 9, 2025, 10:00 AM**  
**Join the Path Forward**

*Our Mission as St. James Episcopal Church; 1750 – Today*

*We are a welcoming community that invites all to share God's light and beauty through music, liturgy and action; to seek the sacred and to walk in love with all creation.*



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# HOLY EUCHARIST: Iona Community Liturgy #3

## WORD OF GOD

**Prelude**

Prelude by Cesar Franck

**Michael Mulder**

*Please stand.*

**Opening Hymn**

Praise to the living God!

**Hymnal # 372**

**Opening Responses**

Celebrant: Welcome to this historic place:

**People: House of prayer for all people. Home to all who come.**

Celebrant: Welcome to this gathering place:

**People: Friend and stranger, saint and sinner in all who gather here.**

Celebrant: Come with hope or hesitation;

**People: come with joy or yearning;**

Celebrant: all who hunger, all who thirst

**People: for life in all its fullness.**

Celebrant: Generous God and generous Savior,

**People: touch us through your Spirit.**

**Call to Prayer**

Celebrant: We gather in God's name.

**People: We claim Christ's promised presence.**

Celebrant: My brothers and sisters, not out of dread and fear, but believing that God is faithful to forgive, let us rid ourselves of what we need to carry no longer.

*Please sit, kneel or stand in silence.*

**Prayer of Confession and Restoration**

Celebrant:

Eternal God, maker of the skies above; lowly Christ, born amidst the growing earth; Spirit of life, wind over the flowing waters; in earth, sea and sky, you are there. O hidden mystery, sun behind all suns, soul behind all souls, in everything we touch, in everyone we meet, your presence is around us, and we give you thanks.

**All:**

**But when we have not touched  
but trampled you in creation,  
when we have not met  
but missed you in one another,  
when we have not received  
but rejected you in the poor,  
forgive us, and hear now our pleas for mercy.**

Celebrant: Holy God,

**People: Holy and mighty,  
Holy and immortal,  
Have mercy on us.**

Celebrant: Hear now the words of Jesus for all who are truly sorry and seek to renew their lives: *Your sins are forgiven. Go in peace; come and follow me.*

*Please stand.*

**All:**  
Lead us now, O God,  
to acknowledge your costly generosity  
by living as forgiven people,  
until heaven and earth rejoice  
and the whole earth cries, "*Glory!*"  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Glory to God *Gloria in excelsis*

LEVAS #243

Glo - ry,

Glo-ry, hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name, — Glo-ry,

Glo-ry hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name. —

1. Glo-ry to God — in the high-est, and peace to His peo - ple on earth. —

2. Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - mighty - y God and Fa-ther, we  
wor-ship you, — we give you thanks, — we praise you for — your glo-ry.

*Unison*

3. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, Glo-ry,  
Glo-ry, hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name, — Glo-ry,

Glo-ry hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name. — 4. You

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us, 5. You are  
 seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. 6. For  
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, You a - lone are the Lord,  
*Unison*  
 7. You a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the  
 glo - ry of the Fa - ther. Glo - ry, Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we  
 praise your Ho - ly name, Glo - ry, Glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we  
*Women*  
 Praise your Ho - ly name.  
*Men*  
 Praise your Ho - ly name.

### Salutation and Collects of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray. O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please sit.*

### Old Testament Reading

Lector: Let us prepare ourselves for the Word of God as it comes to us in the reading from the Book of Haggai [1:15b-2:9].

**People: Our hearts and minds are open.**

Lector: In the second year of King Darius, in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the Lord came by the prophet Haggai, saying: Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say, Who is left among you that saw this house

in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the Lord; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the Lord; work, for I am with you, says the Lord of hosts, according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. For thus says the Lord of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with splendor, says the Lord of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the Lord of hosts. The latter splendor of this house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts; and in this place I will give prosperity, says the Lord of hosts.

Lector: This is the Word of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 145:1-5, 18-22** *Exaltabo te, Deus*

**BCP 801**

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my King, \*  
**and bless your Name for ever and ever.**
- 2 Every day will I bless you \*  
**and praise your Name for ever and ever.**
- 3 Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; \*  
**there is no end to his greatness.**
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another \*  
**and shall declare your power.**
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty \*  
**and all your marvelous works.**
- 18 The Lord is righteous in all his ways \*  
**and loving in all his works.**
- 19 The Lord is near to those who call upon him, \*  
**to all who call upon him faithfully.**
- 20 He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; \*  
**he hears their cry and helps them.**
- 21 The Lord preserves all those who love him, \*  
**but he destroys all the wicked.**
- 22 My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; \*  
**let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and ever.**

### **New Testament Reading**

Lay Reader: Let us prepare ourselves for the Word of God as it comes to us in the reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians [2:1-5, 13-17].

**People: Our hearts and minds are open.**

Lay Reader: As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for

salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Lay Reader: This is the Word of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

### **Sequence Hymn**

We will extol you, ever-blessèd Lord

**Hymnal # 404**

### **Gospel Reading**

Celebrant: Let us greet the Gospel of Christ by listening to Luke [20:27-38].

**People: Glory to Christ our Lord.**

Celebrant: Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

**People: Praise to Christ our Lord.**

*Please sit.*

### **Sermon**

**Rev. Judy Ferguson**

*Please stand.*

### **An Affirmation of Faith from South Africa**

Celebrant: It is not true that this world and its inhabitants are doomed to die and be lost;

**People: This is true: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in him shall not die, but have everlasting life." [John 3:16]**

Celebrant: "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." [John 3:17]

Celebrant: It is not true that we must accept inhumanity and discrimination, hunger and poverty, death and destruction;

**People: This is true: "I have come that they may have life, and have it abundantly."**

[John 10:10]

Celebrant: It is not true that violence and hatred shall have the last word, and that war and destruction have come to stay for ever;

**People: This is true: "For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given, in whom authority will rest, and whose name will be Prince of Peace."** [Isaiah 9:6]

Celebrant: It is not true that we are simply victims of the powers of evil that seek to rule the world;

**People: This is true: "To me is given authority in heaven and on earth, and lo, I am with you always, to the end of the world."** [Matthew 28:18, 20b]

Celebrant: It is not true that we have to wait for those who are specially gifted, who are the prophets of the church, before we can do anything;

**People: This is true: "I will pour out my spirit on all people, and your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your young people shall see visions, and your old folk shall dream dreams."** [Joel 2:28; Acts 2:17]

Celebrant: It is not true that our dreams of liberation of humankind, our dreams of justice, of human dignity, of peace, are not meant for this earth and its history;

**People: This is true: "The hour comes, and it is now, that the true worshippers shall worship God in spirit and in truth."** [John 4:23]

### **Prayers of Intercession**

Celebrant:

Let us offer our own intercessions, both spoken and unspoken,

*Silence*

### **Prayers of the People**

#### **Form III**

**BCP 387**

Reader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**People: That we all may be one. It is in this mystery of communion with Christ that we pray for the Church throughout the world.**

Reader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**People: That your Name may be glorified by all people. We pray for the people and communities of faith from whom we have come and to whom we will return.**

Reader: We pray for our Presiding Bishop, Sean; our Bishops: Matthew and Allen; and all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Reader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Reader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;.

**People: That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Reader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**People: That they may be delivered from their distress; and we pray for the broken and torn fabric of the earth as it yearns for healing.**

Reader: Give to the departed eternal rest;

**People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Reader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy, especially Leo of Rome, *Bishop* (461); Martin of Tours, *Bishop* (397); Charles Simeon, *Priest* (1836); and Herman of Alaska, *Missionary* (1837).

**People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Reader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, praying for the sick, the bereaved, the oppressed and the homeless.

*[People add their prayers or thanksgivings]*

Reader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation, especially **Bennett, Jean H., Sheryl and family, Ginny and Maar family, Wendy G., Dylan and Ann Marie, Jeffrey, Neil and Cita, Marian H., Abu, Michelle B., Maureen, Rob K., Liv C., Rich W., Alan G., Anne H., Nina T., Ross, Carmine S., Mary H., Charlie, Janet, Peg T., Bob, Dottie, Family and friends of Joan Morgan, those who have lost their jobs; those who have been taken and put into detention centers, especially Ketty, Ben, and Ali;** and watch over those who care for them; that they may be delivered from their distress. We pray for guidance for the **resolution of conflicts around the world, all those who suffer injustice and violence in the US and abroad, mitigation of the effects of climate change, those who suffer from mental illness, and our Community Ministries. May those who govern, especially Donald our President, do so for the good of their people and with the respect and gentleness you show to those who are most weak and vulnerable.**

Reader: Look with pity, O heavenly Father, upon the people in this land who live with injustice, terror, disease, and death as their constant companions.

**People: Have mercy upon us. Help us to eliminate our cruelty to these our neighbors.**

Reader: Strengthen those who spend their lives establishing equal protection of the law and equal opportunities for all.

**People: And grant that every one of us may enjoy a fair portion of the riches of this land; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**All: Amen.**

**Lord's Prayer** (from the Maori)

Celebrant: And because you are one with us, O Christ, enable us to share your life with the world by sharing our own lives with the world. And so we pray:

**All:**

**Eternal spirit,**

**Earth Maker, pain-bearer, life-giver,**

**source of all that is and that shall be,**

**Father and Mother of us all,**

**Loving God in whom in heaven:**

**The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!**

**The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the earth!**

**Your heavenly will be done by all created things!**

**Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope**

**and come on earth!**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.**

**In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.**

**In the times of temptation and test, strengthen us.**

**From trials too great to endure, spare us.**

**From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. AMEN.**

### **Sharing of the Peace**

Celebrant: Let us greet one another

**People: with the sign of peace.**

Celebrant: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

*Please sit.*

### **Announcements**

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

### **The Invitation**

Celebrant: The table of bread and wine is now to be made ready.

**People: It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him.**

Celebrant: It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world,  
with whom Jesus identified himself.

**People: It is the table of communion with earth,  
in which Christ became incarnate.**

Celebrant: So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed; Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

### **Offertory**

### **Ave Verum by W.A. Mozart**

### **The St. James Choir**

*Please stand.*

### **Story of the Last Supper**

Celebrant: Blessed is our brother Jesus, who walks with us the road of our world's suffering, and who is known to us in the breaking of the bread.

On the night of his arrest Jesus took bread, and having blessed it, he broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying, *This is my body, given to you.*

In the same way, Jesus took wine, and having given thanks for it, he poured it out and gave the cup to his disciples, saying, *This cup is the new relationship with God, sealed by my blood. Take this and share it. I shall drink wine with you next in the kingdom of God.*

Celebrant: Let us pray:

**All: Loving God,  
through your goodness  
we have this bread and wine to offer,  
which earth has given  
and human hands have made.  
May we know your presence  
in the sharing of this bread,  
so that we may know your touch  
in all bread, all matter.**

We celebrate the life that Jesus has shared  
among his community through the centuries,  
and shares with us now.

Made one in Christ  
and one with each other,  
we offer these gifts and with them ourselves,  
a single, holy, living sacrifice. Amen.

### Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant: The Lord be with you,

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: We offer you praise, dear God, and hearts lifted high,

**People: We lift them high to God.**

Celebrant: For in the communion of your love, Christ comes close to us and we come close to Christ. Let us give thanks to God,

**People: It is right to give God both thanks and praise.**

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

**People: 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.**

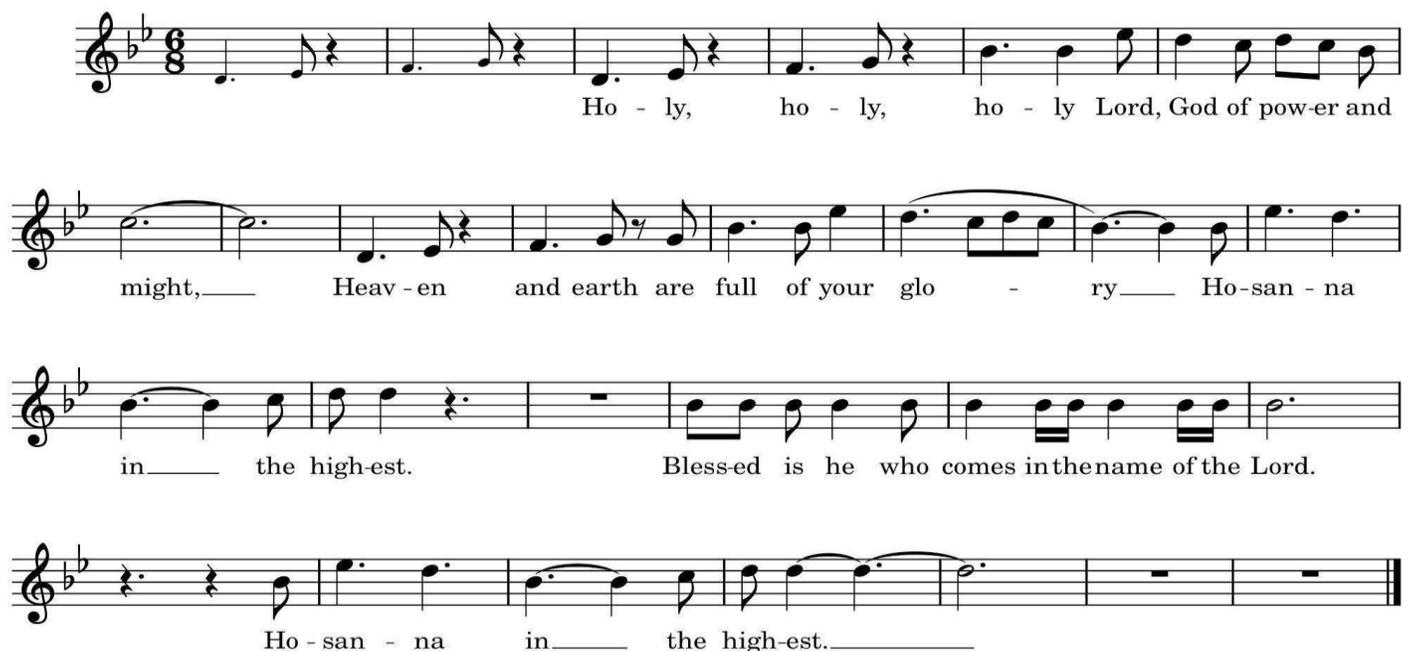
Celebrant: Therefore with the whole realm of nature around us, with earth, sea and sky, we sing to you.

**People: With the angels of light who envelop us,  
with Michael and the host of heaven,  
with all the saints before and beside us,  
with Columba and Brigid, Patrick and Margaret,  
with brothers and sisters, east and west, we sing to you.**

Celebrant: And with our loved ones, separate from us now, who yet in this mystery are close to us, we join in the song of your unending greatness.

**Sanctus** *Holy, holy, holy*

**LEVAS II # 254**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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.

## Prayer of Consecration

Celebrant: Hear us, O Christ,  
and breathe your Spirit upon us  
and upon this bread and wine.

**People: May they become for us your body,  
vibrant with your life,  
healing, renewing and making us whole.**

Celebrant: And as the bread and wine which we now eat and drink  
are changed into us,  
may we be changed again into you,

**People: bone of your bone,  
flesh of your flesh,  
loving and caring in the world.**

## Agnus Dei

Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.

**People: Have mercy on us.**

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**People: Have mercy on us.**

## Breaking and Sharing of the Bread and the Wine

Celebrant: Look, the Body of Christ is broken for the life of the world.

**People: Here is Christ coming to us in bread and in wine.**

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

## Communion Music

Before thy throne, O God, we kneel

**The St. James Choir**

## Prayer after Communion

Celebrant: Many grains were gathered together to make the bread.

**People: Many grapes were mixed to make the wine.**

Celebrant: So we who are many,

**People: and come from many places,**

**All: are one in Christ.**

Celebrant: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**All: "Apprehend God in all things,  
for God is in all things.**

**Every single creature is full of God  
and is a book about God."**

(Meister Eckhart)

**Teach us to know our interconnectedness with all things.**

**Teach us to grow with each other and with all living creatures through love.**

**AMEN.**

## Blessing

Celebrant: May God's goodness be yours,

**People: and well, and seven times well, may you spend your lives:**

Celebrant: may you be an isle in the sea,

**People: may you be a hill on the shore,**

Celebrant: may you be a star in the darkness,

**People: may you be a staff to the weak;**

Celebrant: may the love Christ Jesus gave fill every heart for you;

**People: may the love Christ Jesus gave fill you for every one.**

Celebrant: And the blessing of God be upon you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
now and always.

**People: Amen.**

**Closing Hymn**

Ye holy angels bright

**Hymnal # 625**

**Dismissal**

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**People: It is Christ who goes before us. Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Postlude**

Postlude by J.S. Bach

**Michael Mulder**



## **Continuing Prayer List**

*Sara, Pam P., Biran S., Kate C., Kristin and Gizzi Family, Robert and family, Morgan, Susan and Dan S., St. Luke's Haiti, Lee, Zhane, Barry, Ben, Will and family, John R., Rebecca, Teddy and Jeff, Vince, Ann B., Joyce and Douglas K., Betsy, Mike Marshall and family, John W. and Susan, Thomas, Jeanette, Dean W., Rachel D., Matilda, Walter and family, Eileen, Sister CG, Jackie A., Abdul and Mohammed, Joanne and Marie, Mazza family, Robert, Celia, Felix, Sue, Ewa, Jeannie and Margaret, Youseff*



## Upcoming Services & Events

**November 16:** Holy Eucharist service at 10 am

**November 23:** Holy Eucharist service at 10 am

**November 30:** Advent 1; Holy Eucharist service at 10 am

**December 7: Advent 2; Holy Eucharist service at 10 am;**

**Stewardship/Pledge card Sunday and Celebratory Lunch**

**December 14: Advent 3; Holy Eucharist service at 10 am**

**December 20: Annual Christmas Concert at 4 pm in the Village Hall**

**December 21: Advent 4; Holy Eucharist service at 10 am**

**December 24: Christmas Eve; Holy Eucharist service at 4 pm**

**December 28: Christmas 1: Morning Prayer II service at 10 am**



## Tell Out **My Soul**

Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us, for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many **THANKSGIVINGS TO GOD.**

**ST. JAMES STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY**  
December 7 ❖ 10 am Service ❖ Luncheon to follow

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