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Third Sunday after Pentecost; Proper 6 Visitation of the Rt. Rev. Allen K. Shin

Reception of Robert Schneck, Tank Schneck, Jennifer Upchurch and Jeremy Zhang-Rhizor

June 14, 2026, 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: Rite II

WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Moderato by Leon Boellmann

Michael Mulder

Opening Hymn

Before the Lord's eternal throne

Hymnal # 391

Opening Sentences

BCP 413

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;

People: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: One God and Father of all.

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 Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray. Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

Old Testament Reading

A Reading from the Book of Exodus [19:2-8a]

The Israelites had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites." So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. The people all answered as one: "Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 100 *Jubilate Deo*

Psalms for All People V1.2

1 Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *

serve the Lord with gladness and come before God's presence with a song.

2 Know this: The Lord is God; *

who has made us, and we are God's own;

we are the Lord's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

3 Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving; go into God's courts with praise; *

give thanks to God and call upon the Name of the Lord.

4 For the Lord is good; God's mercy is everlasting; *

and God's faithfulness endures from age to age.

New Testament Reading

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans [5:1-8]

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

Lay Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

Hymnal # 535

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew [9:35-10:8]

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to

cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Rt. Rev. Allen K. Shin

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

BCP 415

Robert Schneck, Tank Schneck, Jennifer Upchurch and Jeremy Zhang-Rhizor

Celebrant: The Candidates will now be presented.

Priest: I present these persons to be received into this Communion.

Celebrant: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidates: I do.

Celebrant: Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidates: I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

Celebrant: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People: We will.

Celebrant: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Baptismal Covenant

BCP 416

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: 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.

Prayers for the Candidates

BCP 417

Celebrant:

Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Robert, we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. **Amen.**

Tank, we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. **Amen.**

Jennifer, we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. **Amen.**

Jeremy, we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. **Amen.**

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Form IV

BCP 388

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Let us pray for our Presiding Bishop, Sean; our Bishops, Matt and Allen; our Guest Priest, Nils; our Deacon-in-training, Pam; and all our Wonderful Laypeople.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: 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,

People: Bennett, Ginny and Maar family, Dylan and Ann Marie, Rob K., Nina T., Mackenzie, Marissa, Randy S., Fawn, Logan, Michael W., John C., Alan, Mike T., Larry D., Mary Pat, Jeff, Roman, Ewa, Jacob, Doreen, those who have lost their jobs; those who have been taken and put into detention centers, especially Ben;

Leader: and watch over those who care for them; that they may be delivered from their distress. We pray for guidance for the:

People: 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.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom, especially Basil of Caesarea, *Bishop and Theologian* (379); Evelyn Underhill, *Mystic and Writer* (1941); Joseph Butler, *Bishop and Theologian* (1752); Marina the Monk, *Monastic* (5th Cent.); Bernard Mizeki, *Martyr* (1896); and Adelaide Teague Case, *Educator* (1948).

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace *All stand.*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts. [Psalm 96:8]

Offertory **My song is love unknown based on Gabriel Faure**

The St. James Choir

Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him 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, because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy *Sanctus*

Hymnal S-129

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

might, hea - ven 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._____

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In

him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph, St. James and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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!**

As now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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.**

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Music

My God, thy table now is spread

Hymnal #321

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 366

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,**

and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Episcopal Blessing

Celebrant: Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

People: The maker of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

People: From this time forth for ever more.

Closing Hymn

O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling

Hymnal # 539

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Postlude by J.S. Bach

Michael Mulder



Marina the Monk was born in present-day Lebanon, in the fifth century. She was the only child of her parents, and her mother died when she was still a young girl. Her father refused to remarry, and instead raised her himself until she was a teenager. At that point, he hoped to find her a husband and then retire to live the life of a monk. Marina, however, rejected this plan, saying: "Why would you save your own soul at the cost of destroying mine?" Instead, she shaved off her hair and exchanged her clothing for men's clothes. When her father saw her determination, he relented. Selling all of their possessions, they went together to the monastic settlement in the Qadisha Valley, where he introduced her as his son "Marinos." After ten years of living the monastic life together, the father died. Marinos continued to live at the monastery without revealing his identity to anyone. In time, however, a local girl who had become pregnant accused Marinos of fathering her child. Rather than respond to this accusation with the obvious denial, Marinos accepted responsibility rather than reveal his secret or subject the girl to further reproach. When the child was born, the infant was given to Marinos to raise at the monastery, and he accepted the boy as though he were truly his own son, and bore patiently all of the scorn and abuse that the other monks heaped upon him for his alleged violation of his monastic vows. After many years Marinos also died, and it was only when the monks went to prepare the body for burial that they discovered it was actually the body of a woman, who had obviously been innocent of the accusation of having fathered a child. The monks and villagers lamented their false accusation and judgment, and after their repentance many miracles were performed at Marina's tomb. While some aspects of this story may be legendary, there are numerous accounts in early Christianity of women disguising themselves as men and entering male monasteries, and this is one of the examples that is considered to be the most historically reliable. Marina/Marinos is particularly venerated today in Lebanon, Cyprus, and Italy, usually under the name of "Marina the Monk."

Continuing Prayer List

Sara, Pam P., Kate C., Kristin and Gizzi Family, Robert and family, Morgan, Susan and Dan S., St. Luke's Haiti, Lee, Barry, Ben, Will and family, John R., Rebecca, Teddy and Jeff, Ann B., Joyce and Douglas K., Betsy, John W. and Susan, Jeanette, Dean W., Walter and family, Eileen, Sister CG, Jackie A., Abdul and Mohammed, Joanne and Marie, Robert, Sue, Jeannie and Margaret, Ross, Abu, Sheryl and family, Jeffrey, Bro, Kathleen, Janet, Biran, Annie, Bill, Claudia, Maisie M.



Upcoming Services and Events

June 21: **Fourth Sunday after Pentecost; Proper 7:** Holy Eucharist service at 10 am
June 28: **Fifth Sunday after Pentecost; Proper 8:** Holy Eucharist service at 10 am
July 5: **Sixth Sunday after Pentecost; Proper 9:** Morning Prayer II at 10 am
July 12: **Seventh Sunday after Pentecost; Proper 10:** Holy Eucharist service at 10 am
July 19: **Eighth Sunday after Pentecost; Proper 11:** Holy Eucharist service at 10 am
July 25: **St. James' Summer Auction 10 am - 2 pm**
July 26: **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost; Proper 12:** Holy Eucharist service at 10 am

New York's Climate Law

Governor Hochul's budget has taken a big, disappointing step back from New York's historic climate law. In the short time left in the session this spring, we can still urge our legislators to pass these bills, which would

- Place a temporary moratorium on data center construction in New York State and
- Speed up the permitting for plug-in solar.

I invite you to join me in writing your representatives, and to share widely. In a national time of widespread attacks on environmental protections and green energy, we can still mitigate the situation significantly on the state level. Here is a link from our friends at New York Renews:

<https://act.nyrenews.org/2026-climate-jobs-justice-agenda>

We are a sanctuary diocese.

Every day our congregations welcome everyone, including our neighbors who are immigrants. Detainees have been beaten and tear-gassed this week. Faith leaders and community organizers standing vigil outside have been attacked, too.

We can help. We're inviting the entire Diocese to join those inside the facility in a solidarity fast by contributing what you would spend on food in one day to support the families of those who are detained. (For example, if you spend \$40/day on food - donate \$40). You can donate here.



Our goal is to provide 300 families with at least one day's food.

Donations will go to family members whose lives have been devastated by having a loved one (sometimes a breadwinner) detained. The families have asked for support for groceries, rent, and other basic needs.



Save the Date – St. James Summer Auction!

Mark your calendars for the 67th Annual St. James Auction & Community Fest on Saturday, July 25, 2026—a cherished tradition and a highlight of our summer together. To make this year's event one of our best yet, we need your help!

Donations will be accepted starting July 1st on Wednesdays (7–9 PM) and Saturdays (9 AM–12 PM). Your generosity helps bring the auction to life.

We are looking for volunteers to help with the Silent Auction. Contact Jen or Tom for more information.

Ready to lend a hand?

- * If you didn't make the kickoff meeting, please reach out directly to thomas_stratman@yahoo.com and let us know how you can help.

- * And gather those treasures to donate during the July donations days!

With your support, we're confident this will be one of our best Summer Auctions yet. Thank you for being such an important part of the St. James community!

Silent Auction - You Can Help

We are asking church members to go to businesses where they have connections such as restaurants, hair and nail salons, etc., and ask for donations. Pick up some donation forms in the church or print them yourself. The links are on this web page: <https://stjamesns.com/auction/>. For more information please email or talk to Jen Upchurch: jenupchurcharts@gmail.com.