

Ego sum pastor bonus!

# WARMLY. Whatever your religious background, and however you have come to be here, we're glad to have you join in our praises of God this morning. We hope that you will feel comfortable and fulfilled, and that you will be strengthened to meet the challenges of your daily life. SO THAT we can have a record of your time with us, please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate.

# The Fourth Sunday of Easter April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

#### Quiet Eucharist at 8:00am

The Service begins on page 323 of the red Prayer Book in the pews.

#### **Sung Family Mass at 10:00am**

Hymns are found in the blue hymnal in the pews.

**Blue Hymnal** 

Voluntary on 'Engelberg'—A. Travis

**Red Prayer Book** 

#### **Entrance Hymn**

Prelude

1. Let Easter alleluias fill this place for God has sanctified the human race, fulfilling all the pledges of his grace, Alleluia!

2. The stone and soldiers kept their watch in vain, And Christ, once raised, shall never die again. All praise and honor to the Lamb once slain.

Alleluia!

Engelberg / H 296 **3.** Why seek the Living One among the dead?

That we might follow where our Master led, Alleluia!

**4.** The path of glory shines before our eyes: the Christian road that leads beyond the skies. By crucifixion and by death we rise, Alleluia!

The Lord was raised in glory as he said.

**5.** Come quickly, Jesus, prove your promise true. Bring all creation into life anew: a living sacrifice of praise to you, Alleluia! Amen.

#### Greeting

♣ Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!

#### Remembrance of Baptism at Eastertide

Lord our God, in your mercy be present to your people's prayers, and, for us who recall the wondrous work of our creation and the still greater work of our redemption, graciously bless this water. For you created water to make the fields fruitful and to refresh and cleanse our bodies. You also made the water the instrument of your mercy: for through water you freed your people from slavery and quenched their thirst in the desert; through water the Prophets proclaimed the new covenant you were to enter upon with the human race; and last of all, through water, which Christ made holy in the Jordan, you have renewed our corrupted nature in the birth of regeneration. Therefore, may this water be for us a memorial of the Baptism we have received, and grant that we may share in the gladness of our brothers and sisters, who at Easter have received their Baptism; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant sprinkles the people with water as a reminder of their baptism.

Refrain. Alleluia.

Verses as necessary.

Vidi aquam [I saw water]. I saw water coming forth from the temple, from the right side, alleluia. **R.** Vidi aquam. And all those to whom that water came were saved, and they shall say, alleluia. **R.** 

Vidi aquam. Give praise to the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy endures for ever, alleluia. **R.** *Music: R. Manalo* 

The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive \( \frac{\mathbf{A}}{2} \) 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.** 

S-278 Glory to God BCP, p. 356

lory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### Collect

God, whose Son Jesus is the Good Shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### The Word of God

#### **Acts of the Apostles**

Acts 12:1-17

bout that time Herod the king laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. [2] He killed James the brother of John with the sword; [3] and when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter ▲also. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread. [4] And when he had seized him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out to the people. [5] So Peter was kept in prison; but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church. [6] The very night when Herod was about to bring him out, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries before the door were guarding the prison; [7] and behold, an angel of the Lord appeared, and a light shone in the cell; and he struck Peter on the side and woke him, saying, "Get up quickly." And the chains fell off his hands. [8] And the angel said to him, "Dress yourself and put on your sandals." And he did so. And he said to him, "Wrap your mantle around you and follow me." [9] And he went out and followed him; he did not know that what was done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision. [10] When they had passed the first and the second guard, they came to the iron gate leading into the city. It opened to them of its own accord, and they went out and passed on through one street; and immediately the angel left him. [11] And Peter came to himself, and said, "Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting." [12] When he realized this, he went to the house of Mary, the mother of John whose other name was Mark, where many were gathered together and were praying. [13] And when he knocked at the door of the gateway, a maid named Rhoda came to answer. [14] Recognizing Peter's voice, in her joy she did not open the gate but ran in and told that Peter was standing at the gate. [15] They said to her, "You are mad." But she insisted that it was so. They said, "It is his angel!" [16] But Peter continued knocking; and when they opened, they saw him and were amazed. [17] But motioning to them with his hand to be silent, he described to them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison.

The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God!

#### At 8am Gradual

Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:

thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Refrain Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

- 1. God is my shepherd, so nothing I shall want, I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love, I walk by the quiet waters of peace. **R.**
- 2. Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul, you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth, my spirit shall sing the music of your Name. **R.**
- 3. Though I should wander the valley of death, I fear no evil, for you are at my side, your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope. **R.**
- 4. You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred, crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to hold. R.
- 5. Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life; I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore. **R.**

#### **Epistle** 1 John 3:16-24

But if any one has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or speech but in deed and in truth. By this we shall know that we are of the truth, and reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who keep his commandments abide in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit which he has given us.

Sequence Song 46 / H 328

- **1.** All shall be well! For on our Easter skies See Christ the Sun of Righteousness arise.
- **2.** All shall be well! The sacrifice is made, The sinner freed, the price of ransom paid.
- **3.** All shall be well! The cross and passion past, Dark night is done, bright morning come at last.
- **4.** All shall be well! Lift every voice on high; "Death has no more dominion, but shall die."
- **5.** Christ is alive! Rejoice and sing again; All shall be well for evermore. Amen.

#### Holy Gospel John 10:11-16

Tesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hireling and not a shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hireling and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep, that are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will heed my voice. So there shall be one flock, one shepherd.

#### Sermon

Nicene Creed BCP, p. 358

We believe in one God.

the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,

of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### Announcements, Birthday & Anniversary Prayers

The Peace BCP, p. 360

**Offertory** *If Ye Love Me* – Phillip Wilby

The Celebration of the Eucharistic Sacrifice

S-120 Eucharistic Prayer D BCP, p. 372

S-130 Holy, holy, holy

S-119 Our Father BCP, p. 364

#### S-154 Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

#### **Communion Hymn**

Refrain. You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat.

Come to us, O saving Lord, the Bread of Life to eat.

1. As when the shepherd calls his sheep, They know and heed his voice; So when You call Your family, Lord, We follow and rejoice. R.

2. With joyful lips we sing to you Our praise and gratitude, That you should count us worthy, Lord, To share this heav'nly Food. R.

3. Is not the cup we bless and share The Blood of Christ outpoured? Do not one cup, one loaf, declare Our oneness in the Lord? R.

**4.** The myst'ry of your presence, Lord, No mortal tongue can tell: Whom all the world cannot contain Comes in our hearts to dwell. **R.** 

**5.** In gracious love, you gave yourself Then selfless let us be, To serve each other in your name In truth and charity. **R.** 

**Communion Motet** Brother James' Air --Gordon Jacob

#### 645 Second Communion Hymn

#### 193 Third Communion Hymn (if needed)

#### **Thanksgiving after Communion**

BCP, p. 365

Let us pray. Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Blessing & Dismissal**

People Deo gratias, alleluia, alleluia.

#### 195 Dismissal Hymn

#### Regina Caeli

O Queen of Heaven, be joyful, alleluia, For he whom you have humbly borne for us, alleluia, Has arisen, as he promised, alleluia, Offer now our prayers to God, alleluia.

**Postlude** Hail Thee, Festival Day--M. Burkhardt

## **Parish Notices**

**THE FLOWERS** at the altar are given to the glory of God By **DeMITA and BOB TORRANS** in thanksgiving and **in celebration of their nineteenth wedding anniversary**, April 24<sup>th</sup>, and

In honor of **MICHELLE PURTLE** in thanksgiving for her life and **in celebration of her birthday**, April 28<sup>th</sup>, by Brian, Blake and Caroline Purtle.

PRAYER LIST: Ledger, Larry, Patty, Nancy, Christi, Billie, Tyler, Bubba, Wade, Polly, Sandra P., Cindy, Jeffrey, Armil, Randy, Paul, Jimmy, Devin, Bryce, Lindy, Pat, George, Lisa, Sue, Charles, Tina, Barbara, Tammy, Kimberly, Billy, Darlene, Callie, Sheliya, Quida, Christie, Shari, Treece, Michelle, Christi, Terry, Teresa, Sherri, Beau, James Kim, Charlie, Jimmy Lewis, Suzanne, Bill, Paul, Chuck+, Carolyn, Sherrie, Donna, Anne, John. Serving our country: Charles, Michael, Sage, Alexander, D. J. Matthew. Names stay on List for a month; longer if you call the Office.

**CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Carolyn Brown (22), Traci Anderson (24), Anne Douglas (25), Billy DeLoach, Michelle Purtle (28).

**CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:** Bob & DeMita Torrans (24).

**HOUSEHOLD WEEK:** Christopher & Brandi Montano

THE ROSARY GROUP meets on Tuesdays at 10am. Come join us. For more information, contact Lova at <a href="https://lova@cableone.net">lova@cableone.net</a>

**KNEE MAIL.** If you are not getting the Knee Mail sent to you, please send a blank email to therector@stjamestxk.org, putting KNEE MAIL in the subject line.

**FACEBOOK.** St James' maintains a Facebook page: "Saint James Episcopal Church of Texarkana," which you are invited to like. If you are so minded, you may "check in" to help raise our online profile.

A WORD ABOUT PANHANDLERS. Being a downtown church, from time to time, panhandlers may approach you after Mass, looking for money. In such a case, it is best that you refer them to the clergy. We have the ability to respond to their needs in an appropriate way, and oftentimes can identify those whom we have already helped. St James' gives generously to those in need in our community, but it is best that we do this in a systematic way.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD. Children ages 4 through grade 3 are invited to attend Children's Liturgy of the Word during the first portion of the 10:00 service. The children process to the chapel for a service conducted by a lay adult. The Liturgy of the Word is a "child friendly" service with prayers, singing and a reading of the gospel followed by a short homily. The children rejoin their parents at the Peace.

# The Programme: This Week at St James

Sun. Apr. 22 Easter IV 8:00am Low Mass

9:00am Christian Education for all ages

10:00am Sung Mass

Mon. Apr. 16

8:30am Morning Prayer at RSOS

Tues. Apr. 17

10:00am Rosary group 5:30pm Fitness for Saints

6:30pm Ladies' wine and cheese (see notice)

Wed. Apr. 18

5:30pm Adult choir practice

Thurs. Apr. 19

10:00am Low Mass in the Chapel 10:30pm Daughters of the King 5:30pm Fitness for Saints

7:00pm Cigars, 'tinis & tunes (see notice)

**Sun. Apr. 22** Easter IV 8:00am Low Mass

9:00am Christian Education for all ages

10:00am Sung Mass

**RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES,** Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. We wish to honor those students of our parish who will be

graduating from either high school or college. If you have a high school graduate, please let me know from which high school and the future plans. If you have a college grad, please let me know which college and the degree. It is always such a pleasure to honor these students who have reached a major milestone in their lives. –MNS

**AT HOME OR AWAY,** be faithful in your Mass attendance, and bring us back a Bulletin from your travels.

# **Explore!** Anglican Essentials

re you interested in exploring what it means to be an Anglican Christian? This is our annual inquirer's class for those considering membership at St James' and Confirmation / Reception into the Anglican Communion, and refresher for everyone else! In the Great Hall at 9am.

YDT FINANCIAL UPDATE as of 3/31/18	
Budgeted	Actual

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 Revenue
 \$133,754
 \$130,558
 (\$3,196)

 Expenses
 \$136,653
 \$138,726
 \$2,073

 Organ debt
 \$54,849

Thank you for your faithful giving!

### St James' Church

The Mission of St James' Church is to restore all people to God, and to each other, through sacramental worship and Christ-like living.

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Sandra Kennedy, Parish Administrator
Mary Nell Short, Director of Religious Education

**THE PARISH OFFICE** is open Monday through Thursday from 8am to 4pm, and on Friday from 8am to Noon. Lunch is taken between Noon & 1pm. *The Clergy are always available to discuss a matter of parish or personal concern.* 

# Today's Lay Ministers

Chalice Bearers 8:00am—Greg Torrance
10:00am – Shari Keller, Keith Maynard
Acolytes 10:00am—Davis Miller, Meredith Maynard, Austin
Miller, Mason Miller, TBA, Jack Wulff
Readers 8:00am—Lova Wile

10:00am—Pam McCoy

**POP** 10:00am—

**Ushers** 10:00am—Steve Douglas, Chuck Firmin, Cory

Floyd, Ben Wulff

Altar Guild Team IV

Counters/Lock-up—Ann Coleman, Sharon Maynard



Please remember St James' in your will.

Last Sunday's attendance was 167 The Collection was \$6,768.50

# Thank you for worshipping with us!

HOLY COMMUNION. Baptized Christians may receive the Blessed Sacrament. The Sacred Host will be placed upon your tongue or in the palm of your hand after which the Chalice is offered. Should you wish to receive by intinction, leave the Host on your palm. The Chalice Bearer will dip It in the consecrated Wine and place It on your tongue. If you are not receiving the Sacrament, please cross your arms as the Priest approaches so that a blessing may be said.

**IF AGE OR INFIRMITY** makes it difficult for you to come to the altar rail, please indicate to the Ushers that you would like help to the Communion rail, or that you would prefer Holy Communion brought to you in your pew.

**PLEASE ENSURE THAT CELLPHONES** are turned off during Mass. If God is going to speak to you at Mass, he will use other means!

**BAPTISMS.** For more information and the necessary paperwork, please email the Parish Office.

**A STAFFED NURSERY** is available in the Parish Center. An Usher will be pleased to give you directions.

**LADIES**, to preserve our linens, please blot your lipstick prior to receiving from the Chalice.

**QUIET BAGS** containing books and activities to occupy your small child during the service are available in the Porch. *Please return it to the ushers at the end of the service.* 

# Worship Schedule

#### Lord's Day (Sunday) Masses:

Quiet Holy Eucharist at 8:00am Sung Mass at 10:00am

[All Saints', Atlanta Third Sunday of the Month at 11am]

#### Weekday Services:

RSOS Monday Morning Prayer at 8:30am SJDS Tuesday Morning Prayer at 8:30am Wednesday evening Mass is in recess. First & Third Thursday Mass at 10:00am (in the Chapel) Second Friday Mass at 10:30pm (at Cornerstone)



The 80-million strong Anglican Communion uses the Compass Rose as its symbol, signifying its worldwide reach. It is surmounted by a bishop's mitre; in the centre is a Cross of St George recalling the Communion's origins in the Church of England.

The text of the service of worship contained in this bulletin is taken from the Book of Common Prayer, 1979. The Book of Common Prayer is the final authority in the worship of the