

June 24, 2018



St. James Presbyterian Church Order for Worship

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

A TIME FOR GATHERING AND QUIET MEDITATION

Welcome. We are so glad you have joined us for worship today. Please fill out our Friendship Pad, located at the end of your pew, so we can get to know you. Prayer cards are also available in the pew pockets. If you would like to have your prayer shared in worship, please fill out the card and hand it to an usher during the Passing of the Peace.

We worship using a variety of liturgy, printed in your bulletin, and two song books. The purple hymnal called Glory to God (GTG) and the black book, The Faith We Sing (FWS). Please silence electronic devices before the service.

This week, we will be singing hymns selected by members of the congregation. With each hymn, make note of the special reason this hymn was requested. We will do "Hymn Sing Sundays" on the last Sunday of July and August as well.

PRELUDE Carolyn Mullen

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING WORDS

Jim Gresham, Lector

How very good and pleasant it is when sisters and brothers live together in unity! It is like the precious oil on the head, like the dew that falls on the mountains of Zion. Together, let us worship God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE "This Is My Father's World" #370 GTG Joy Rain says, "I like the words about nature and God's sovereignty."

CALL TO CONFESSION

We strive to be strong and self-sufficient, but in truth we are in constant need of grace. In penitence and faith, let us confess our weakness to God and to one another. PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God, forgive us.

We imagine that we can live without you, when you give us our very breath.

We seek control over others rather than strive to live in unity.

We allow fear to overtake us, even though our lives are in your hands.

Draw us back into your steadfast love and shape us into the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

*RESPONSE TO WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

"What Wondrous Love Is This?" #215 GTG Alice Beaty offers, "The melody is beautiful and soul-touching."

Children's Moment

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

Please pass prayer cards to an usher

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Randy Bowers

*Doxology "For the Life That You Have Given" #717 GTG
For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,
With these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:
Here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring;
Give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We return to you, O God, the gifts you have given, that this money, and our lives, might bear witness to the good news of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

*Please stand as you are able.

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

God of eternity, by the power of your Spirit, speak your Word to us this day, that hearing, we may know your truth and live ever more faithfully for you. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 9:9-16 (pg. 493 in pew Bible)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON READING

Mark 7:24-30 (pg. 42 in pew Bible)

SERMON "Speak Up and Out" Rev. Kyle Anderson, guest preacher

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

"How Great Thou Art" #625 GTG

Claude Hill shares, "This speaks to the power of God in the natural order and in the spiritual realm."

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE GO INTO THE WORLD AS GOD'S AMBASSADORS

*CLOSING HYMN "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" #700 GTG
"It's so happy!" exclaims Cheryl McGregor

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*Postlude

As our worship concludes, so our service begins.

We invite you to join us for fellowship and refreshments in the Horizon Room, to your right as you leave the sanctuary, overlooking the bay. Please introduce yourself to those new to you and extend the hand of peace, friendship, and welcome to everyone.

Next Week - July 1, 2018 Sermon Title: "Casting out Demon Silence"

> First Reading: Psalm 130 Sermon Reading: Mark 9:17-18

Pastor Seth will be away on vacation June 24 through June 30.

Rev. Cindy Bauleke will be covering any pastoral care needs that arise.

Please contact the church office or your deacon if you have need.

Seth will return for worship on July 1.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Don't miss it! The annual Congregational Picnic, combined with the annual Salmon Barbecue! Sunday, July 22, right after worship, on the front lawn. There will be wonderful food, fun and games for all. We will provide Salmon, garlic bread, hot dogs for the kids, and ice cream bars.

Please bring a side dish to share. You may also want to bring your own lawn chair. Watch for the sign up sheet in your church bulletin or call the office (360-733-1325) to register. The event is free - donations accepted.

The **C2C** cooperative (volunteer) organic farm offers ripe organic strawberries for sale this Sunday during fellowship time after worship. Farmworker families learn organic farming practices on land offered by First Christian Church. C2C strives to develop projects that come from and are led by folks from communities that need to effect change for improving the lives of their families. Your purchase supports the farm and families.

This month the **women's association** will meet at noon on Tuesday, June 26, for the annual luncheon at the Wonderful Buffet on Meridian Street. All women are invited to attend.

Nursery care is available during worship, but preschool and older children are invited to stay in the sanctuary with their parents and work on scripture-related art. Godly Play will resume in September.

LOOKING AHEAD

This Week at St. James (June 20-June 30)

TODAY 11:30am Nominating Committee

Monday 4pm St. James Fitness

5:15pm Tai Chi

Tuesday 10:15am Yoga

12pm Women's Luncheon at the Wonderful Buffet

7pm Boy Scouts

7:30pm WA Gender Alliance

Wednesday * * *

Thursday 10:15 Yoga

Friday 3pm Membership

4pm St. James Fitness

Saturday 9am Personnel

Next Sunday

9am Adult Church School 10:30am Worship

Programs sharing our St. James facility:

12 Step Programs

AA Men's Book Study Group: 7pm Mondays

Al Anon: 5:30pm Tuesdays

AA SOS Men's Group: 6pm Wednesdays

AA Fairhaven Group: 7:30pm Thursdays and Sundays

OA: 10am Saturdays

Bayside Co-op Preschool Information (360-733-3972)

Hawthorne Learning Solutions Contact Matt and Emily Hawthorne at hlearningsolutions@gmail.com for times and dates.

PROVIDING LEADERSHIP IN TODAY'S WORSHIP:

Lector Coffee Hour Ushers

Jim Gresham Deacons Adam Beaty Jean Seater Sacristan

Flowers

Carolyn Mullen Margaret deMaine

The Saint James Staff

Pastor: The Rev. Seth J. Thomas pastor@saintjamespres.org

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