



August 5, 2018

 **St. James**
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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.

Please silence electronic devices before the service.

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).

PRELUDE

Kaitlyn Ronstadt, Pianist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING WORDS

Carolyn Mullen, Lector

Come, let us worship our God,
for there is one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
one God and Parent of all,
who is above all and through all and in all.

**We come with humility, gentleness, and patience,
bearing with one another in love.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" #291 GTG

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sin together,
for we have all fallen short of the glory of God.

**Please stand as you are able.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God, you have called us to live lives
worthy of the calling
to which we have been called.
But we confess to you and each other
that we have not always spoken the truth in love;
we have not always made every effort
to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
Forgive us and, by your grace,
help us to grow in every way
into him who is our head, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

***RESPONSE TO WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

"Glory Be to the Father" #581 GTG

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

Each of us has been given grace
according to the measure of Christ's gift.
Let us give a measure of what has already been given to us.

OFFERTORY

***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.

**Please stand as you are able.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Loving God, as you fed your people in the wilderness,
use our gifts, time, and talents as the manna
to meet the hungers of the world in which we live.
For Jesus' sake. **Amen.**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Holy God, may the reading of your Word
be for us the bread you send from heaven
that gives life to the world. **Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Ezekiel 36:22-28 (pg. 805 in pew Bible)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON READING

John 16:7-15 (pg. 110 in pew Bible)

SERMON

“The Advocate-the Shy member of the Trinity ” The Rev. Doug Bunnell

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

“Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove” #279 GTG

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us open our hearts.

We open them to our God.

Let us give thanks to the Holy One, our God.

It is right to lift up thanks and praise.

THE INVITATION & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

WELCOME TO THE TABLE

“The body of Christ, given for you.” **Amen.**

“The blood of Christ, shed for you.” **Amen.**

**Please stand as you are able.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND COMMUNION PRAYER

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

"We Are One in the Spirit" #300 GTG

*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.

Nursery care is available during worship, but preschool and older children are invited to stay in the sanctuary with their parents and explore the Scriptures with our Illustrated Children's Moment bulletins.

Godly Play will resume in September.

**Please stand as you are able.*

PROVIDING LEADERSHIP IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Lector

Carolyn Mullen

Coffee Hour

Deacons

Communion Servers

Tracy Caruso

Jill Hoyt

Sacristan

Jenny Sue LeSchander

Flowers

Faye Hill

Kate Haworth

Janet Oakley

Song Leader

Carolyn Mullen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT WEEK - AUGUST 12, 2018

We welcome guest preacher, Rev. Greg Ellis of Birchwood Presbyterian Church, next week as a part of a 3-week pulpit swap with Birchwood and First Presbyterian churches.

August Pulpit Swap — Bellingham Presbyterian Pastors!

In August, we have a unique opportunity to get to know two other Bellingham Presbyterian pastors, Rev. Greg Ellis (of Birchwood) and Rev. Doug Bunnell (of FPC), as we do a 3-way pulpit swap on the weeks of August 5 and August 12. Pastor Doug will join St. James in worship today and Pastor Greg on August 12 as Pastor Seth preaches at BPC and FPC those weeks. We will be hearing a 3-part sermon series on the Trinity. What a joy to share in our worship with our Presbyterian family!

Our **Bountiful Harvest table** in the Horizon room features fresh veggies and fruit produced by congregational gardeners. You are welcome to take what you can use, and encouraged to share produce from your own garden as well. Monetary donations given for the produce are donated to the Bellingham Food Bank.

LOOKING AHEAD

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES (AUGUST 6-AUGUST 11)

Monday	10am Monday Book Group 10am Grief Support Group 4pm St. James Fitness 5:15pm Tai Chi
Tuesday	10:15am Yoga 5:30pm Building and Grounds 6pm Finance 7:30pm WA Gender Alliance
Wednesday	10am Worship Committee
Thursday	10:15am Yoga
Friday	9am-5pm Session Retreat (off site) 12pm Prime Timers 4pm St. James Fitness
Saturday	* * *

Next Sunday

9am Adult Church School

10:30am Worship—Rev. Greg Ellis of Birchwood Pres preaching

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.

THE SAINT JAMES STAFF

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Pianist/Accompanist: Kaitlyn Ronstadt
Treasurer: Marina McLeod
Children's Ministry: Tracy Caruso
Teachers: Erika Singh-Cundy, Sophie Rose Kendrick,
Lucy Sieczka, Holly Jones

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