



ORDER FOR WORSHIP

Sunday, June 28, 2020

"Brought Back From Death to Life", Romans 6:12-14

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. We would love to connect with you and support you in this strange season.

Please visit www.saintjamespres.org/contact to share how we can be of support in this season!

PRELUDE

Luke Arnold

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Seth Thomas

CALL TO WORSHIP

I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever;

with my mouth, I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;

your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one,

I have sworn to my servant David:

**'I will establish your descendants forever,
and build your throne for all generations.'**"

HYMN OF PRAISE

"My Song Forever Shall Record" - GTG #67

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Seth Thomas

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, our loyalties have been divided and we have taken your grace for granted. You seek us out, but we attempt to go our own way. You provide, but we hoard. You free us from enslavement to sin, but we neglect to be instruments of righteousness. You welcome us as we are, but we refuse to receive others in your name. Forgive what we have been, amend what we will be, awaken us to the new thing you are doing within and around us. Send your Spirit

to shape us in ways that better reflect the one we claim to follow,
Jesus Christ.

(Silent prayer)

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

INVITATION TO GODLY PLAY

Tracy Caruso

THE PEACE

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

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

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FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 22:1-14

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON READING

Romans 6:12-14

SERMON

"Brought Back From Death to Life"

Rev. Brian Ellison, Stated Clerk, Synod of Mid-America

HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith is Firm"

GTG #731

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

**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

HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"Lift Every Voice and Sing" - GTG #339

WE GO INTO THE WORLD AS GOD'S AMBASSADORS

BLESSING & CHARGE

Rev. Seth Thomas

POSTLUDE

Luke Arnold

*As our worship concludes, our service begins.
We invite you to join us for fellowship in a chat room. Please introduce
yourself to those new to you and extend the hand of peace, friendship,
and welcome to everyone.*

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**ST. JAMES PRESBYTERIAN BUILDING IS CLOSED DUE TO THE
CORVID-19 SHELTER IN PLACE STATEWIDE MANDATE. ALL
ACTIVITIES HAVE MOVED TO ONLINE VENUES.
CONTACT pastor@saintjamespres.org FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

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<https://saintjamespres.churchcenter.com/giving>
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GODLY PLAY: THE HOLY TRINITY

This lesson combines three narratives, transforming them into the concept of the Holy Trinity.

BRINGING GODLY PLAY HOME

Send answers to the wondering questions and any work to Tracy @ tracy@saintjamespres.org.

LECTIONARY TEXTS

For anyone wishing to study the lectionary texts, this week, June 28th, the lectionary texts are:

Matthew 10:40-42

Romans 6:12-23

Genesis 22:1-14

Psalm 13

PASTOR ON VACATION

Pastor Seth will be away on vacation from Sunday, June 28 through Saturday, July 4. Please contact your deacon if you have a pastoral need.

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!

In observance with the Fourth of July holiday, St. James staff will be working slightly reduced hours this week. Please contact us via email and we will respond as soon as possible.

ST. JAMES AND FAMILY PROMISE SERVE UP MEALS

St. James will be providing food for Family Promise, July 6-12. The families are currently being housed at First Christian Church and do not have access to cooking facilities so all food is provided by supporting churches. We are in need of breakfast and lunch items that will be delivered to the church. If you would be willing to support Family Promise, by providing needed items, please contact Gretchen Pfueller [at:gmpfueller@gmail.com](mailto:gmpfueller@gmail.com). Currently, there are three moms, three children, and one grandfather living at the church.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

June 29th - July 5th

Attention: all church activities have moved to on-line forums where applicable. Contact your group leader for details.

Monday-Friday 9:00am Daily Prayer- Streamed at
<https://www.facebook.com/saintjamespres/>

Next Sunday, 7/5 10:30am Streamed Sunday Worship Service
<https://www.facebook.com/saintjamespres/>

PROGRAMS SHARING OUR ST. JAMES FACILITY

**ALL GROUPS MEETING IN OUR BUILDING ARE
POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

**CONTACT THE GROUP LEADER FOR
ONLINE MEETING INFORMATION**

AA Fairhaven Group: 7:15pm, Thursdays and Sundays

AA Men's Book Study Group: 6:30pm, Mondays

AA SOS Men's Group: 6:00pm, Wednesdays

AI-Anon: 5:30pm, Tuesdays

Bellingham Community Chorus: 6:30pm, Tuesdays

Overeaters Anon: 10:00am, Saturdays

WA Gender Alliance: 7:30pm, Thursdays

You Are Not Alone (YANA): 6:00pm, 2nd Mondays

Bayside Co-op Preschool, Mon - Fri

Boy Scouts Troop 7, Every Monday night except for school holidays

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