



## ORDER FOR WORSHIP

August 15, 2021

"Do Justice" Micah 6:8 (Pulpit Swap)

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### 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](http://www.saintjamespres.org/contact) to share how we can be of support!*

*\*Please stand in body or in spirit*

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## PRELUDE

Luke Arnold

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Seth Thomas

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Kat DeVaney, Lector

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

**Worship the Lord with gladness.**

**Come into God's presence with singing!**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ

Be with you all. **And also with you.**

Let us worship God!

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE

"God Reigns! Let Earth Rejoice!" - GTG #365

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,

**you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.**

**We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.**

**We have not loved you with a pure heart,**

**nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We have not done justice, loved kindness,  
or walked humbly with you, our God.**

**Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.  
In your great compassion,  
cleanse us from our sin.  
Do not cast us away from your presence,  
or take your Holy Spirit from us.  
Restore us to the joy of your salvation  
and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.**

## **ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE**

### **INVITATION TO COMPASSION CAMP**

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**

#### **FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

Micah 6:8, pg. 866

**The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.**

#### **SERMON READING**

Luke 4:16-20, pg. 61

#### **SERMON**

"Do Justice"

Rev. Seth Thomas

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE** "Hear, O Lord, My Plea for Justice" - GTG #211

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP**

### **JOYS & CONCERNS**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

## 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

### OFFERTORY

"Come Thou Fount" (arr. Tornquist)

### \*DOXOLOGY

"For the Life That You Have Given" - GTG #717

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

"The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound"  
GTG #766

## WE GO INTO THE WORLD AS GOD'S AMBASSADORS

## BLESSING & CHARGE

### POSTLUDE

"La Calinda" (Delius)

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*As our worship concludes, our service begins.*

*We invite you to join us for fellowship and refreshments outside on the 14th Street patio, to your left as you leave the sanctuary. Please introduce yourself to those new to you and extend a welcome of peace and friendship to everyone.*

**Next Week, August 22, 2021**

**"Doubt, Faith, and Wisdom" James 1:2-8**

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**St. James Sunday morning worship continues to be held online.**

**You can access online worship through**

**our website at [www.saintjamespres.org/live](http://www.saintjamespres.org/live),**

**the St. James Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/saintjamespres](https://www.facebook.com/saintjamespres)**

**or via Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88335387843>.**

**CONTACT [pastor@saintjamespres.org](mailto:pastor@saintjamespres.org) FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

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### **COMPASSION CAMP: Session 4 With the World**

Compassion sees the big picture. Seeing the big picture means we are able to see beyond our own context. We can see ourselves as part of a family, a worshiping community, a neighborhood, and also as part of the larger world, a world full of different cultures and languages of which our own is one. Engaging the story of Pentecost reminds us that this world is vast, and that there are people out there we may never meet and places we may never see. Can we have compassion for all people and all of creation, even if we do not see or know them? Yes, we can!

### **LECTIONARY TEXTS**

For anyone wishing to study the lectionary texts, this week, August 15th, the Lectionary texts are:

Micah 6: 6-8 (worship)

Luke 4:16-20 (preaching)

Psalm 111

1 Kings 2:10-12 3:3-14

Proverbs 9:1-6

John 6:51-58

Psalm 34:9-14

Ephesians 5:15-20

**St. James Book Club** is currently reading *The Stranger in the Woods: The Extraordinary Story of the Last True Hermit* by Michael Finkel. We will be meeting tomorrow evening Monday August 16th @ 7:00. Email [tracy@saintjamespres.org](mailto:tracy@saintjamespres.org) for the Zoom link.

### **PRAYERS, PRAISES, AND UPDATES**

If you have a prayer request or update you would like to share, please email [office@saintjamespres.org](mailto:office@saintjamespres.org).

## THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

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

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

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## PROGRAMS SHARING OUR ST. JAMES FACILITY

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**Out of consideration for those at higher risk of complications from COVID-19, church meetings and events should be held online or via phone, or email. If an in-person meeting is necessary, please consult our Church Reopening Guidelines and Procedures (<https://saintjamespres.org/reopening>) before contacting the church to schedule.**

**AA Fairhaven Group** (in building)  
**AA Men's Book Study Group** (in building)  
**AA SOS Men's Group** (in building)  
**Bayside Co-op Preschool** (in building)  
**Bellingham Community Chorus**  
**Bellingham Ukulele Group (BUG)**  
**Boy Scouts Troop 7** (in building)  
**Happy Hour Al-Anon** (in building)  
**Hawthorne Learning Solutions** (in building)  
**Interfaith Coalition of Whatcom County** (in building part-time)  
**Linda's Tai Chi**  
**Overeaters Anon**  
**South Hill Neighborhood Association**  
**WA Gender Alliance**  
**Whatcom Weavers Guild**  
**You Are Not Alone (YANA)**



**All Ages Welcome!!**

**Sundays  
July 25th - August 22nd  
12-1:30pm**

**Bible Stories**

**Music**

**Games**

**Crafts**

**Yoga**