

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

August 8, 2021

“Love Kindness (Mercy)” Micah 6:8 (Pulpit Swap)

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!

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

PRELUDE

Luke Arnold

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Doug Bunnell

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Mark Beaty, Lector

O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt God’s name together.

We sought the Lord, and God answered us.

God delivered us from all our fears.

O taste and see that the Lord is good!

Happy are those who take refuge in God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

“There’s A Wideness in God’s Mercy”
- GTG #435

CALL TO CONFESSION

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace, love, and communion,
we confess that we have failed to love you
with all our heart, soul, and mind;
and to love our neighbor as ourselves.
We ignore your commandments,
stray from your way, and follow other gods.

**Have mercy on us.
Forgive our sin and raise us to new life
that we may serve you faithfully
and give honor to your holy name.**

Amen.

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 11:37-42, pg. 73

SERMON

"Love Kindness"

Rev. Doug Bunnell

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"
- GTG #753

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

***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** "O God, You Are My God" - GTG #743

WE GO INTO THE WORLD AS GOD'S AMBASSADORS

BLESSING & CHARGE

POSTLUDE

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 15, 2021

Pulpit Swap - Rev. Seth Thomas - Micah 6:8 - "Do Justice"

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Summer Church Office Hours - Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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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,

the St. James Facebook page at www.facebook.com/saintjamespres

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

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COMPASSION CAMP: *Session 3 To the Neighbor*

Compassion crosses barriers. Crossing barriers means overcoming obstacles that might stop us from seeing, understanding, and helping each other. Through Jesus' parable of the Samaritan, participants will explore the question "Who is my neighbor?" and what it means to become a neighbor. Participants will also witness how compassion can move through barriers people may have constructed, even if doing so might feel risky, unpopular, or hard. Participants will discover how showing compassion to anyone who needs it is being a neighbor.

LECTIONARY TEXTS

For anyone wishing to study the lectionary texts, this week, August 8th, the Lectionary texts are:

Micah 6:8 (worship)

Luke 11:37-42 (preaching)

Psalm 130

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

1 Kings 19:4-8

John 6:35, 41-51

Psalm 34:1-8

Ephesians 4:25-52

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 Monday evening August 16th @ 7:00. Email 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.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

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/>

PROGRAMS SHARING OUR ST. JAMES FACILITY

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 AI-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