



November 10, 2024

“Native Resilience”

1 Cor 12:12-14, Rev. 7:9

**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
how God is moving in your life.*

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

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Leah Bruno

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jeff King

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Jenny Sue LeSchander

As we gather for worship,
let us offer praise to God.

As we join voices and hearts,
we learn the importance of each one of us.

As we find unity in the wider body of Christ,
we learn that our whole is more than its parts. Let us worship God.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

“All Creatures of Our God and King” - GTG 15

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O Christ, you praised the gift of the widow,
who had so little and gave it all.
Forgive us, O Christ, for turning our eyes away
from people who are trapped in poverty.
Forgive us, O Christ, for turning our resources
into reasons for pride or greed.
Forgive us, O Christ, and by your forgiveness,
teach us to follow in your way of generosity.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

***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

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 73 pgs. 534-535

CHORAL ANTHEM

"A Call to Silence"
Pamela Martin & Craig Courtney
St. James Chancel Choir
Leah Bruno, piano

SERMON READING

1 Cor 12:12-14 pg. 174, Rev 7:9 pg. 249

SERMON

"Native Resilience"

Jeff King

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

"Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Works"
- GTG 21

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

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”
Sy Miller, Jill Jackson, & Charles H. Webb

*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

*SINGING WELCOME AS CHILDREN RETURN TO SANCTUARY

Welcome, children, welcome, we are glad you're here.
Welcome, children, welcome. Now to God draw near.

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

“Let All Things Now Living” - GTG 37

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 following worship. Please introduce yourself to those new to you and extend a welcome of peace and friendship to everyone.

Next Week, November 17, 2024

Mark 13:1-8

GODLY PLAY: The Exile and Return

In this story, the Babylonians capture Jerusalem and take God's People into exile. Even though this journey is forced upon them, they make an astonishing discovery: God is not just in one place, in the temple in Jerusalem, but also in a foreign and strange land. God's presence is not here or there, but everywhere, waiting. To be found. To find us.

The Godly Play room will open at 10:30am, with the lesson starting at 10:35am. Students will be brought back to the service for the last hymn.

LECTIONARY TEXTS

For anyone wishing to study the lectionary texts for this week, November 10th:

(worship) Psalm 73

(sermon) 1 Cor. 12:12-14, Rev. 7:9

Psalm 127

Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17

Psalm 146

Hebrews 9:24-28

1 Kings 17:8-16

Mark 12:38-44

PUB THEOLOGY - November 11th

Join us every other Monday beginning Monday October 28th from 6:30-7:30pm at Archer Ale House in Fairhaven. Childcare and carpooling are available at St. James beginning at 6:15pm and ending at 7:45pm.

Led by Jimmy and Jessica Parks, we'll explore themes of Christian ethics-ideas about good, evil, and the in-between, and how we live them out in everyday life. This is not a lecture or Bible study, but an opportunity to have an open discussion in a relaxed, welcoming setting. Jimmy and Jessica will facilitate the discussion and provide resources for deeper engagement, if desired. Outside readings are not required for participation but will allow for a richer conversation. Please reach out to

jimmyjamesjimbo@gmail.com if you would like the resources used for discussion or if you have any questions.

NEW GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Starting Wednesday, Nov. 13, Pastor Seth will be facilitating a new Grief Support Group, meeting 10-11:30 am in the Lounge. The group will meet every other week (2nd gathering on 11/27). This is a space to process the many forms of grief and find support from others in our congregation. All are welcome.

ST. JAMES WRITERS CIRCLE

St. James Writers Circle is a gathering of members and friends who are writing (or would like to be) prose, poems, novels, short stories. We are open to all genres and topics, and encouraging of spiritual and other content that is an authentic reflection of your personal views and explorations of ideas. We will meet to support each other's writing and provide resources. Meetings at the church will be at 10 AM on the first Thursday of each month, (Nov. 7, Dec. 5, Jan.2 and so on) and on Zoom on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7 PM (Nov 20, Dec. 18, Jan. 15 and so on). Writing Circle facilitators are Maureen Kosa and Carla Shafer.

YOUTH GROUP

Inviting all middle and high school students to join us next Sunday evening November 17th for our pizza dinner and meeting. We will meet at 5:30pm for dinner and activities.

BELLINGHAM COMMUNITY PARTNERS

We are once again joining with Lowell Elementary school to provide snacks for children who may need them during the school day. We are asking for donations of individually wrapped nut-free snacks. Items can be left in the tub in the narthex or outside Tracy's office. This will be an ongoing need until the school year ends next June. Our goal is 100 snacks/month.

Lowell is also in need of mentors and volunteers to read with children at the school. Please contact tracy@saintjamespres.org if you have any questions or are interested in volunteering.

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

Monday, 11/11	Church office closed in observance of Veterans Day 4:00pm, St. James Fitness, open to all
Tuesday, 11/12	5:00pm, Finance
Wednesday, 11/13	8:30am, Toddler Time 10:00am, Grief Support Group 5:00pm, Session
Thursday, 11/14	4:00pm, St. James Fitness, open to all 7:00pm, Choir rehearsal
Next Sunday, 11/17	10:30am In-person and streamed Sunday Worship Service https://www.facebook.com/saintjamespres/ 12:00pm, Deacons

PROGRAMS SHARING OUR ST. JAMES FACILITY

AA Fairhaven Group.....	Mondays/ Thursdays
AA Grateful Hearts.....	Mondays
AA Men's Book Study Group.....	Mondays
AA SOS Men's Group.....	Wednesdays
AA Meditation Group.....	Fridays
Bayside Co-op Preschool.....	Monday-Friday during school year
Bellingham Community Chorus.....	Tuesdays September-April
Bellingham Ukulele Group (BUG).....	1st Saturday of each month
Boy Scouts Troop 7.....	Mondays
Happy Hour AI-Anon.....	Tuesdays
Liberation Yoga.....	TBD
Linda's Tai Chi.....	Mondays
Little Sapling Music.....	Wednesdays/ Thursdays quarterly
Overeaters Anonymous.....	Saturdays
The Table Church.....	Sundays
Whatcom Weavers Guild.....	TBD
Wild Hearts group.....	TBD
World Peace Poets.....	TBD

NOTES

ST. JAMES STAFF

Pastor: Seth J. Thomas, pastor@saintjamespres.org

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To schedule ahead of time: <http://www.calendly.com/pastorseththomas>
or pastor@saintjamespres.org

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