



*Blessed* is anyone  
who *endures*  
temptation.  
Such a one has  
*stood* the test and  
will receive the  
*crown of life*  
that the Lord  
has *promised* to  
those who  
*love* him.

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# St. James of Jerusalem

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### Mission Statement

*Trinity is a caring family where people gather to know, worship,  
serve, and share their Savior.*

# Twenty-second Sunday *after* Pentecost

October 22/23, 2016

## Welcome

Today we observe the Festival of St. James of Jerusalem, brother of Jesus, and martyr. *“A prophet is not without honor except in His hometown and in His own household”* (Matt. 13:58). James the Just was once *offended at Jesus’ wisdom and mighty works*. But He came to faith following His resurrection, when Jesus appeared to Him (1 Cor. 15:7). He then became a leader of the early Church in Jerusalem, present at the council recorded in Acts 15. There James recognized from the prophets that Jesus was the Lord *known from of old and returned to rebuild David’s fallen tent and restore it, that the remnant of mankind may seek the Lord and all the Gentiles who are called by My Name* (Acts 15:16–18). *“Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness”* (James 1:2–3). Josephus and other historians record that James was martyred by stoning in the 60s AD. *“Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him”* (v. 12).

## Holy Communion

We believe that Christ’s body and blood are truly present in Holy Communion, and that we receive the forgiveness of sins along with the bread and wine in this Holy Meal. As a “Family Church,” we invite those who share this understanding, and who desire God’s forgiveness and strength, to join with us in receiving Holy Communion. If you have any questions, please speak to one of our pastors at any time. All worshippers are asked to fill out the “Fellowship Pad” in the pew and pass it down. After all have signed, please leave the pad at the end of the pew to be picked up after worship. Thank you!

## GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SHARING OF THE PEACE** + *We encourage you to leave your pew and greet new people!* +

**PRELUDE** "Voluntary in D" - Boyce

+ *Please stand and face the cross during the procession to the altar* +

**HYMN** "O Sing to the Lord" LSB 808

## CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

**P:** *In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

**C:** **Amen.**

[Matthew 28:19b]

P: *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.*  
C: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** [1 John 1:8-9]

+ *Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination* +

P: *Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.*  
C: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**  
P: *Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for you and for his sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.* [John 20:19-23]  
C: **Amen.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE** *This is the Feast*



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



**C** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia. Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men. This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun His reign. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: **P** The Lord be with you.

C: **C** And al-so with you.

P: *Let us pray.  
Heavenly Father, shepherd of Your people, You raised up James the Just,  
brother of our Lord, to lead and guide Your Church. Grant that we may follow his  
example of prayer and reconciliation and be strengthened by the witness of his  
death; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

C: **Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Charles Froehlich

### FIRST READING

Acts 15:12-22a

And all the assembly fell silent, and they listened to Barnabas and Paul as they related what signs and wonders God had done through them among the Gentiles. After they finished speaking, James replied, "Brothers, listen to me. Simeon has related how God first visited the Gentiles, to take from them a people for his name. And with this the words of the prophets agree, just as it is written,

“After this I will return,  
and I will rebuild the tent of David that has fallen;  
I will rebuild its ruins,  
and I will restore it,  
that the remnant of mankind may seek the Lord,  
and all the Gentiles who are called by my name,  
says the Lord, who makes these things known from of old.’

Therefore my judgment is that we should not trouble those of the Gentiles who turn to God, but should write to them to abstain from the things polluted by idols, and from sexual immorality, and from what has been strangled, and from blood. For from ancient generations Moses has had in every city those who proclaim him, for he is read every Sabbath in the synagogues.”

Then it seemed good to the apostles and the elders, with the whole church, to choose men from among them and send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas.

R: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE

James 1:1-12

James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ,

To the twelve tribes in the Dispersion:

Greetings.

Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the

testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him. But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

Let the lowly brother boast in his exaltation, and the rich in his humiliation, because like a flower of the grass he will pass away. For the sun rises with its scorching heat and withers the grass; its flower falls, and its beauty perishes. So also will the rich man fade away in the midst of his pursuits.

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

R: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### ALLELUIA and VERSE



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

### GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 13:54-58

P: *The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.*



C: **Glo - ry to You, O Lord.**

. . . and coming to his hometown he taught them in their synagogue, so that they were astonished, and said, "Where did this man get this wisdom and these mighty works? Is not this the carpenter's son? Is not his mother called Mary? And are not his brothers James and Joseph and Simon and Judas? And are not all his sisters with us? Where then did this man get all these things?" And they took offense at him. But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his hometown and in his own household." And he did not do many mighty works there, because of their unbelief.

P: *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

C: Musical notation for the hymn 'Praise to You, O Christ.' It is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of the following notes: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter). The piece ends with a double bar line.

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

“Praise the Almighty”

LSB 797

**SERMON**

Rev. Gregory Dwyer

### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

A: *Lord, in your mercy,*

C: **Hear our prayer.**

### **OFFERING**

+ *Please pass the Fellowship Pad at this time* +

**OFFERING VOLUNTARY** (6:30) "Praise the Almighty, My Soul Adore Him" – Bender

**SOUNDS OF PRAISE** (9:00) “I Sing A Song of the Saints of God” – Hopkins

I sing a song of the saints of God, patient and brave and true, who toiled and fought and loved and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And one was a doctor and one was a queen and one was a shepherdess on the green; they were all of them saints of God, and I mean, God helping, to be one too. They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and his love made them strong; and they followed the right for Jesus' sake the whole of their good lives long. And one was a soldier and one was a priest and one was slain by a fierce wild beast, and there's not any reason, no, not the least, why I shouldn't be one too. They lived not only in ages past; there are hundreds of thousands still; the world is bright with the joyous saints who love to do Jesus' will. You can meet them in school, on the street, in the store, in church, by the sea, in the house next door; for the saints of God can be rich or poor, and I mean to be one too.

# OFFERTORY *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

LSB 955

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our  
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were  
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the  
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we  
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and  
give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

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## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: *The Lord be with you.*

C:   
■ And al - so with you.

P: *Lift up your hearts.*

C:   
■ We lift them to the Lord.



P: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

C:   
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: *It is truly good, right, and proper that we should give thanks to You, merciful Father, for in Your goodness You have given your only-begotten Son for our salvation. Through the guidance of Your Spirit, set us on righteous ways, and cover us with Your favor as with a shield. Grant that we receive the body and blood of our Lord as a guarantee of our salvation and as a foretaste of the feast to come in Your heavenly kingdom. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and praise, together with the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of



pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is He who comes in the name



of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup after supper, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

## PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

**P:** *As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.*

**C:** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

## 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

## AGNUS DEI *Lamb of God*



**☐** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world;  
have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of  
God, You take a-way the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“How Firm a Foundation”

LSB 728

“The Man Is Ever Blessed”

LSB 705

## NUNC DIMITTIS *Song of Simeon*



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre-pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re-veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it; as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

## CLOSING PRAYER

A: *Let us pray.*  
*Almighty and everlasting God, we thank and praise You for having fed us with the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Keep us in Your faith and favor that all we do may be to Your glory. As You live in us, may we also live in You. By Your grace, may Your body and blood preserve us in the true faith unto everlasting life. This we ask in the name of Jesus, our loving Savior.*

C: **Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

P: *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.*



C:            C    A            -            men

*Please stand and face the cross during the recession from the altar.*

**HYMN**                    "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"                    LSB 528

**DISMISSAL**

A:    *Go in peace. Serve the Lord.*

C:    **Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**                    'Toccata on "Oh For A Thousand Tongues"'                    - Hobby



**UPCOMING  
WORSHIP SERVICES**

**Saturday/Sunday      REFORMATION (Observed)      October 29/30**

- 6:30 PM Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
- 10:45 AM Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion

**Saturday/Sunday      ALL SAINTS' DAY (Observed)      November 5/6**

- 6:30 PM Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
- 10:45 AM Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion