

Holy Communion

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

October 25, 2026

Welcome to Saint James!

We're so glad you're here.
Everything you need for worship is printed in this bulletin. Join in as you're comfortable- listening, reading, praying, and singing.

If you need to step away at any time, you can reenter through the main doors in the back of the sanctuary. Other exterior doors are locked during the service. Restrooms can be found near those main doors, in the narthex (the back foyer of the worship space).

We love kids in our services, noises and all! The **Family Den** (in the back) is a space for nursing or wrangling as desired. **Children's activity bags** are available in the narthex (foyer). **Nursery** is available during the service for children ages 0-3k (an Usher can show you where). During the gospel reading, children aged 4k-5th grade are invited to come to the center and then to follow the cross to **Children's Chapel**. They return during the announcements.

We'd love to give you a welcome bag on your way out. And please join us for coffee and snacks in the Parish Hall after the service.

Learn more and connect further on our website (Saint-James.org), or by dropping a Visitor Card in the offering plate.

Parking note: Extra parking spaces are available around Town Hall. We ask that you avoid parking in the shopping center across the street–they've asked us not to.

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About the Season After Pentecost

The Season After Pentecost – also known as "Ordinary Time" – is the season of church life that stretches from Pentecost to Advent. Our readings focus on the life of Israel (awaiting Christ), the life of Jesus (the Christ himself), and the life of the Church (sent by Christ into the world until His return). Called 'ordinary' because it includes no major Christian feasts (like Christmas and Easter), this season is nevertheless full of wonder and meaning. It is meant to encourage God's people to live their 'ordinary' lives in the extra-ordinary power of the Holy Spirit, who came to us at Pentecost.

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The Prelude

The Processional *"O for a thousand tongues to sing"*

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise
The glories of my God and King
The triumphs of His grace

My gracious Master and my God
Assist me to proclaim
To spread thru all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name

Jesus the name that charms our fears
That bids our sorrows cease
'Tis music in the sinner's ears
'Tis life and health and peace

He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin
He sets the pris'ner free
His blood can make the foulest clean
His blood availed for me

Hear Him ye deaf His praise ye dumb
Your loosened tongues employ
Ye blind behold your Savior come
And leap ye lame for joy

Glory to God and praise and love
Be ever ever giv'n
By saints below and saints above
The Church in earth and heav'n

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The Acclamation BCP p. 123

Celebrant Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity BCP p. 124

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Summary of the Law

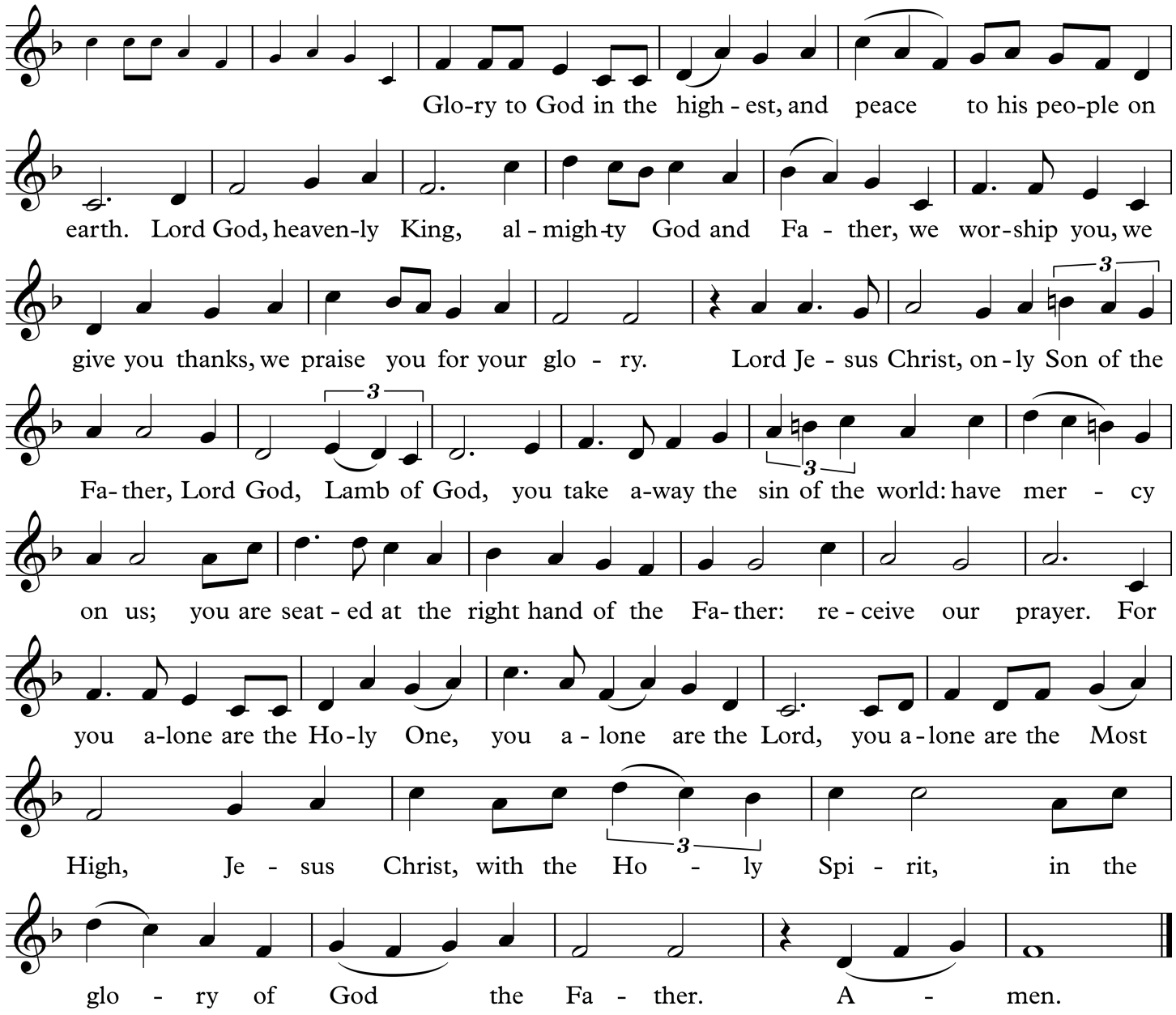
Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

The Kyrie

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA



Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with your spirit.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and Everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth. Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

THE LESSON 1 THESSALONIANS 2:1-8 ESV

1 For you yourselves know, brothers, that our coming to you was not in vain. 2 But though we had already
suffered and been shamefully treated at Philippi, as you know, we had boldness in our God to declare to you the
gospel of God in the midst of much conflict. 3 For our appeal does not spring from error or impurity or any
attempt to deceive, 4 but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak,
not to please man, but to please God who tests our hearts. 5 For we never came with words of flattery, as you
know, nor with a pretext for greed—God is witness. 6 Nor did we seek glory from people, whether from you or
from others, though we could have made demands as apostles of Christ. 7 But we were gentle among you, like a
nursing mother taking care of her own children. 8 So, being affectionately desirous of you, we were ready to
share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us.

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

THE PSALM PSALM *1* *BCP*

1 Blessed is the man who has not walked in the counsel
of the ungodly nor stood in the way of sinners, and has
not sat in the seat of the scornful;
2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his
law will he meditate day and night.
3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the waterside,
that will bring forth his fruit in due season.
4 His leaf also shall not wither; and look, whatever he
does, it shall prosper.!
5 As for the ungodly, it is not so with them; but they
are like the chaff, which the wind scatters away from
the face of the earth.
6 Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in
the judgment; neither the sinners in the congregation of
the righteous.
7 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the
way of the ungodly shall perish.

Children ages 4k to 5th grade are invited to join the cross in the center aisle for the reading of the Gospel.
After the reading, they may follow the cross to Children's Chapel. Children return during the Announcements.

THE GOSPEL HYMN *"AMAZED*

You dance over me
While I am unaware
You sing all around
But I never hear the sound

Lord I'm amazed by You
Lord I'm amazed by You
Lord I'm amazed by You
How You love me

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THE HOLY GOSPEL MATTHEW 22:34-46 ESV

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

34 But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. 35 And one of them,
a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. 36 "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" 37 And
he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your
mind. 38 This is the great and first commandment. 39 And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as
yourself. 40 On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets." 41 Now while the Pharisees
were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, 42 saying, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose
son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." 43 He said to them, "How is it then that David, in the Spirit,
calls him Lord, saying, 44 "'The Lord said to my Lord,"Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your
feet"'? 45 If then David calls him Lord, how is he his son?" 46 And no one was able to answer him a word, nor
from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

"AMAZED"

You paint the morning sky
With miracles in mind
My hope will always stand
You hold me in Your hand

Lord I'm amazed by You
Lord I'm amazed by You
Lord I'm amazed by You
How You love me

How wide how deep
How great is Your love for me

Lord I'm amazed by You
Lord I'm amazed by You
Lord I'm amazed by You
How You love me

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THE SERMON

TIME OF REFLECTION

THE NICENE CREED BCP P. 127

Celebrant Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Please kneel as able. After each bidding, the congregation offers their own short prayers on the theme, silently or aloud. Each concludes:

Leader Lord, in your mercy:
People **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant says

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The Confession and Absolution of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Most merciful God, we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Comfortable Words

The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son,
that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.
He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also
for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And with your spirit.**

The Ministers and People greet one another with the peace of the Lord.

Announcements

The Offertory

Online giving is available at saint-james.org/give

I searched the world but it couldn't fill me
Man's empty praise and treasures that fade
Are never enough
Then You came along and put me back together
And every desire is now satisfied here in Your love

Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing
Nothing is better than You

I'm not afraid to show You my weakness
My failures and flaws
Lord You've seen them all
And You still call me friend
'Cause the God of the mountain
Is the God of the valley
There's not a place
Your mercy and grace won't find me again

You turn mourning to dancing
You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory
You're the only one who can

You turn graves into gardens
You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways
You're the only one who can

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THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below
Praise him above ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING BCP P. 132

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with your spirit.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth….

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Lord, we sing Your praise: Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!
Lord, we sing Your praise!

Please kneel as able

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP P. 134

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS BCP P. 135

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

All baptized Christians in good standing in their home churches are welcome to receive Communion.
Prayer teams, positioned near the front on either side of the room, are available to pray with you during communion or after the service.

"The Blessing"

Verse
The Lord bless you And keep you
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His Face toward you
And give you peace

Chorus
Amen, Amen, Amen

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"What a Beautiful Name"

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now

What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

You have no rival
You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names

What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

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THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER BCP P. 137

Heavenly Father, We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

O sov'reign God O matchless King
The saints adore the angels sing
And fall before the throne of grace
To You belongs the highest praise

These sufferings this passing tide
Under Your wings I will abide
And ev'ry enemy shall flee
You are my hope and victory

Oh praise the Father praise the Son
And praise the Spirit Three in One
Clothed in power and in grace
The name above all other names

To the valley for my soul
Thy great descent has made me whole
Your word my heart has welcomed home
Now peace like water ever flows

Yours is the kingdom Yours is the power
Yours is the glory forever
Yours is the kingdom Yours is the power
Yours is the glory forever

Praise the Father praise the Son
And praise the Spirit Three in One
Clothed in power and in grace
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THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

Prayer teams are available to pray with you and are positioned in the front of the room on the right side.

Please join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall after the service.

Announcements

See full details and more at saint-james.org

- **Music Team Night- November 18: 5:30- 7:30pm.** Please come all ye singers and musicians! Join us for dinner followed by meet & greet to see what our community has to offer and if you can add something special to our Sunday worship. Contact Shane Williams at SWilliams@Saint-James.org.
- **Regenerate High School Retreat- November 13- 15.** Contact Sam English at SEnglish@Saint- James.org
- **Men's Steak Night- November 15: 6:00- 8:00pm**. All men are invited for fellowship and a steak dinner in the Parish Hall. Contact Jay Millen @JMillen@caldwell.com.

PRAYER

- **For Healing:** David Agee, Lois Bouknight, Amarylis Cranwell, Jack Cranwell, Ernie Droze, Art Field, Rebecca Flood, Mary Forbes, Mike Gaitan, Carl Green, Erin Stockwell Grimm, Tim Harrelson, George Haynsworth, Heckmann Family, Bill Huff, Matthew Lehman, Debi Myers, Rob Pierce, Bill Porcher, Michael Rutherford, Jon Scot, Carol Shue, Jeff Switzer, Sondra Switzer, Charles Watts, Vivian Watts, Hanna Debruhl, Robert Doscher.
- **For Protection:** Aiden Burgess, Bradon Malasky, Brittany Swafford, Trey Thompson, Thomas Tilson, Rylea Swafford
- **Request Prayer:** You are invited to request prayer via the **prayer box** in the narthex. It is checked regularly by clergy. Daughters of the Holy Cross members also pray for our parish daily and will pray for anyone who would like to be added to their prayer list. All prayers are kept confidential.

Today's Servers

Music Leader: Shane Williams
Acolyte Team: Charlie Cope, Edmund Cope, Aubrie Nichols, Aurelia Nichols, Lila Smithson, Eliza Cate Volousky, Lenox Williams
Children's Chapel: Sam English, Debbie Morillo
Nursery: Amanda Cope, Maureen Lehman
Audio Visual: Bill Read
Flower Guild: Teena Martindale
Altar Guild: Francie Egleston, Larry Owens
Lay Readers: Fred Whittle, Bill Edlund
Greeters: David & Francie Egleston, Gene & Sue Morrison
Prayer Team: Maxine Swafford, Caroline McQueeney, OC Brummett, Paula Huff

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