



SAINT JAMES
EPISCOPAL



CELTIC EVENING EUCHARIST
WITH ANOINTING FOR HEALING

6:30 p.m.

Welcome to St. James

If you are a visitor, please know that you are a welcome addition to our church family. Our purpose is to be a Christ-centered community offering all people opportunities for worship, fellowship and service to others.

The people of God who are St. James Church have been worshipping in Greenville, SC since 1904. God's word is proclaimed here, and in God's presence we join together in asking for the strength and courage to love and serve the Lord.

We believe in the Real Presence: that Jesus Christ becomes truly present to us in the Eucharist, in the bread and wine – the Body and Blood of our Lord – which feeds our souls. If you are a baptized Christian, we invite you to join with us in receiving the sacrament. If you prefer not to receive communion, you may receive the Lord's blessing by coming to the altar rail at the time of Holy Communion and crossing your arms across your chest to indicate your desire for a blessing.

Again, welcome, thank you for joining us, and know that we believe in the words of St. Paul who said:

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. (Hebrews 13:2)

Gluten Free Communion Wafers are available. Please make your request known to the clergy at the Altar Rail.

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*You are invited to keep a reverent silence in the nave before the service begins.
Please turn off all cellular phones and similar devices.*



ORDER OF WORSHIP



The people standing, the Celebrant says

Spirit of the Risen Christ, shine in our hearts and kindle in us the fire of your love. The Light of Christ has come into the world.

People ***The Light of Christ has come into the world.***

Celebrant Let us sing praises to our Creator and Redeemer.

People ***Glorious Lord, I give you greeting!***

Let the church and the chancel praise you.

Let the chancel and the church praise you.

Let the plain and the hillside praise you.

Let the world's three well-springs praise you.

Two above wind and one above land.

Let the dark and the daylight praise you.

Abraham, founder of the faith, praised you:

Let the life everlasting praise you.

Let the birds and the honeybees praise you.

Let the shorn stems and the shoots praise you.

Both Aaron and Moses praise you:

Let the male and the female praise you.

Let the seven days and the stars praise you.

Let the air and the ether praise you.

Let the books and the letters praise you.

Let the fish in the swift streams praise you.

Let the thought and the action praise you.

Let the sand-grains and the earth-clods praise you.

*And I shall praise you, Lord of glory:
Glorious Lord, I give you greeting!*

 THE WORD OF GOD 

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

THE READING

The people sit. A Lesson is read as appointed, the Reader first saying

A Reading from _____ .

(A citation giving chapter and verse may be added.)

After the Reading, the Reader may say

The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Silence may follow.

THE PSALM APPOINTED

The Gospel

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

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

After the Gospel, the Reader says

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

Please be seated.

The Sermon

A TIME OF PRAYER

All stand.

Lay Reader Gracious God, we come to you in prayer:
For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church;
For those who minister in Christ's Name;
For our community, our nation, and our world;
For the sick and all those in need, especially...
(The congregation is invited to add their prayers at this time)
For those who have died and those they have left;
We look to you, O Lord.

People ***Put Thy salve to our sight,
Put Thy balm to our wounds,
Put Thy linen robe to our skin,
O Healing Hand, O Son of the God of salvation.***

Deacon or Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Please kneel.

People ***For the ways we have sinned against you, O God;
For the ways we have hurt those around us;
For the ways we have grieved the Spirit who is in us;
For the good things we have failed to do;
Forgive us, Lord, forgive us.***

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy upon you; forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen your body, mind and spirit, and keep you close to the heart of God.

People ***Amen!***

All are seated.

ANOINTING FOR HEALING

Those seeking the laying-on of hands and anointing for healing are invited to come forward at this time.

The Peace

All stand.

Celebrant Peace be in your thinking. Peace be in your hearts.
Peace with creation. Peace with one another.
The Peace of Christ be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

The peace is now exchanged.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand.

Celebrant All things come from you, O Lord.

People ***And of your own have we given you.***

Celebrant Now let us lay aside all the cares of this life, that we, like the angels, may offer our worship, joining with them in singing to the thrice-holy and life-giving Trinity:

People ***Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty!
Who was, and is, and is to come!
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!***

Celebrant We bless you, High King of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made; they will become our spiritual food and drink.

People ***Blessed be God forever.***

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them to the Lord.***

Celebrant Let us give thanks for all the Lord has done.

People ***God leads us through the years.***

Celebrant High King of the universe, you have brought forth the earth; you breathe wisdom into all your creatures, till we reflect your Three-fold friendship. In our pain and sorrow, we cry out to you, tender Lamb, perfect sacrifice for our sins. By the power of your Holy Spirit may these gifts of bread and wine be for us Christ's body and blood, who on the night He was betrayed took bread, gave you thanks, broke it and gave it to His disciples saying, "Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you." After supper He took the cup, gave you thanks, and said to them, "Drink, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant

which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Alas, we have seen the Son of the living God stretched out on a Cross. The cross is like the parting of the day from night. Yet through it, all may now proclaim:

People ***Christ has died!***
 Christ is risen!
 Christ will come again!

Celebrant Risen Christ, we welcome you. You are the flowering bough of creation; from you cascades music like a million stars, truth to cleanse a myriad of souls. From you flee demons, evil, and all ill-will; around you rejoice the angels of light. Father, send us the tender Spirit of the Lamb; feed us with the Bread of Heaven; may we be filled to the fullest with your holiness.

People ***AMEN!***

Celebrant And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

People ***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.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!***

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

The people come forward to partake of the Holy Communion or to receive a blessing.

All stand. After Communion, the celebrant says,

Let us pray.
Heaven is intertwined with earth.
We have taken the divine life into ourselves.
And so, now each may say:

People ***I rise up clothed in the strength of Christ.
I shall not be imprisoned, I shall not be harmed;
I shall not be down-trodden, I shall not be left alone;
I shall not be tainted, I shall not be overwhelmed.
I go clothed in Christ's white garments;
I go freed to weave Christ's patterns;
I go loved to serve Christ's weak ones.***

The Celebrant continues

Celebrant Let us pray for Christ's presence with those in need this night.

People ***Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch,
or weep this night,
and give your angels charge over those who sleep.
Tend the sick, Lord Christ;
give rest to the weary,
bless the dying,
soothe the suffering,
pity the afflicted,
shield the joyous;
and all for your love's sake. Amen.***

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Celebrant The shielding of God be with you;
The love of God to enfold you;
The peace of God to still you;
The Spirit of God to fill you;
The saints of God to inspire you;
This hour, this night, for ever.
And the blessing of God Almighty,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, rest upon you
And shine out through you this night and always.

Amen!

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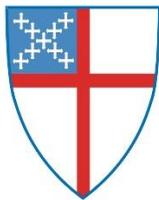
Celebrant May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face;
May the rains fall soft upon your fields
and until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

Amen!

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***





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