

The Celebration of a New Ministry

**For the RECTOR of
St. James' Episcopal Church
Hammondsport, NY**



Saturday, November 18th, 2023

10:30 am

The Renewal of Ministry with the Welcoming of a New Rector

Prelude

Elenor Boutwell

OPENING HYMN

Hymnal # 433

Please stand, if able

Bishop Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Bishop There is one Body and one Spirit;

People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God, Creator of all.

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Bishop Let us pray.

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The people are seated.

*The Wardens, Jim Grillo and Leah Nichiporuk, and Craig, stand near the Bishop.
The Bishop states the purpose of the gathering; and then continues:*

Bishop People of St. James', you have reflected on your ministry and discerned your choice for a new Rector.

Wardens We have chosen and called Father Craig Hacker to be our Rector, and he has accepted.

Bishop I commend your choice and affirm this call.

The Letter of Institution is read by The Very Reverend Virginia Tyler-Smith, Transitional Officer, Episcopal Diocese of Rochester.
from the readers' pulpit.

Bishop Are you, the people of St James', ready to continue in your ministry, with Father Craig Hacker as your priest?

People **We are.**

The Word of God

*On behalf of St. James' Lectors, Sandy Young and Stella Pulver present
the lectern Bible and say:*

Sandy & Stella Father Craig, with this Bible we proclaim and hear God's living Word. Join us in the ministry of telling the Good News to the World.

Rector Amen. Let us hear again the Good News of salvation.
Please be seated for the chosen readings today.

The Lessons

Karen Derr, Reader and Chalice Bearer

We will read Psalm 100 responsively by half verse.

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;*
serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God;*
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise;*
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting;*
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Kris Packard, Reader

A Reading from Philippians.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal # 335

Please stand, if able

Rector The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to
 John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves.

Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?"

Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated

The Homily

The Right Revd. Stephen Lane

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Bishop People of St. James': in Holy Baptism we received full adoption through God's grace and full empowerment for ministry through the Holy Spirit. Will you work together as partners in the mission of the Church, to reconcile all people to God through Christ?

People We will, with God's help.

Water is poured into the font and the Bishop leads the renewal of baptismal vows.

Bishop The water of baptism signifies our eternal covenant with God. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to Christ, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The Bishop may bless the water.

We pray you, O God, sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that all who in baptism are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Rector Let us renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we renounce Satan and all his works, and promise to serve God faithfully in God's holy Catholic Church.

Rector Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People I do.

Rector Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Rector Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **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 to the dead.
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.**

Rector Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **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.**

Rector Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Rector Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Rector Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Rector Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Rector Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Rector May Almighty God, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, and called us to ministry in Jesus Christ, keep us in eternal life by his grace; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Prayers

A Prayer Book is brought forward by Representatives of the Ushers, Linda Grillo and Marilyn Dowdle.

Linda & Marilyn Father Craig, with this Prayer Book, we offer our prayers, intercessions and thanksgivings to God.

Rector Amen. In the Spirit of God, who searches the heart and knows our deepest needs, let us pray for the Church, the world, and all who yearn for Christ's healing.

Let us thank God whom we worship here in the beauty of holiness.

Eternal God, the heaven of heavens cannot contain you, much less the walls of temples made with hands. Graciously receive our thanks for this place, and accept the work of our hands, offered to your honor and glory.

For the Church universal, of which these visible buildings are the symbol,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Rector For your presence whenever two or three have gathered together in your Name,

People **We thank you, Lord.**
Rector For this place where we may be still and know that you are
God,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Rector For making us your children by adoption and grace, and
refreshing us day by day with the bread of life.

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Rector For the knowledge of your will and the grace to perform it,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Rector For the fulfilling of our desires and petitions as you see best for
us,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Rector For the pardon of our sins, which restores us to the company of
your faithful people,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Rector For the blessings of our vows and the crowning of our years
with your goodness,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Rector For the faith of those who have gone before us and for our
encouragement by their perseverance,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Rector For the fellowship of St. James, and of all your Saints,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Silence

Rector Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the
victory, and the majesty;

People **For everything in heaven and on earth is yours.**

Rector Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom;

People **And you are exalted as head over all. Amen.**

A stole will be presented by Donella Barney, Nancy Folts and Joan Rogerson, representatives of those who attend the weekly Compline service.

Donella, Nancy & Joan Father Craig, with prayer, companionship and laying-on of hands we bring the reconciling presence of Christ to those who seek healing. Join us in this ministry by calling us to repentance, and assuring us of God's forgiveness and love.

Rector Amen. Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, loves you eternally, and reconciles you to one another.

Please stand, if able

Rector The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

The Representatives of the Search Committee, Nick Forenz, Gregg Learned and Luanne Graulich, bring forward the people's offerings of bread and the wine.

Luanne Father Craig, when we share the bread and the cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Join us at God's table to offer and bless our gifts of bread and wine.

Rector Amen. Together, let us keep the feast.

Father Craig brings the elements to the table, and the Offertory continues.

Bishop Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

The offertory today is designated to go the Bishop's Fund.

*Please be seated for the anthem, sung by our choir members: Kris Packard,
Brooklyn Snavelly, Richard Little and Tom Pietsch.*

*After the anthem, please stand, if able and as the alms are brought forward,
the following is sung.*

Doxology

Hymnal # 380 vs. 3

**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
Eucharist Prayer A**

People remain standing.

Bishop

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Bishop

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere
to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and
earth.

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your
sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and
given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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:

Sanctus

Hymnal #S130

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full
full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please stand or kneel,
if able*

Bishop

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All

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

Bishop

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

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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.**

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

All

**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 Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

Hymnal # S155

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast; Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Bishop

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The choir and those serving at the altar will now receive communion.

St. James' Episcopal Church welcomes and invites everyone to come forward for Holy Communion. If you are not able to come forward but wish to receive, please ask an usher to have Communion brought to you. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

The ushers, Nick Forenz and Gregg Learned, will direct you when to go forward.

Our Communion Music will be led by Tom and Carol Bidwell.

All In All by Dennis Jernigan Col 3:11

You are my strength when I am weak.

You are the treasure that I seek.

You are my all in all.

Seeking You as a precious jewel,

Lord, to give up I'd be a fool.

You are my all in all.

CHORUS:

Je-sus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.

Je-sus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,

Rising again I bless Your name.

You are my all in all.

When I fall down You pick me up,

When I am dry You fill my cup. You are my all in all.

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Give Thanks by Henry Smith

Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ, His Son (2x)

And now, let the weak say I am strong
Let the poor say I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us (2x)

END: Give thanks (3x)

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Bishop **Let us pray.**

Please stand, if able

All **Loving God, we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
A people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
That we may proclaim your love to the world
And continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior.
Amen.**

Bishop We have celebrated this new pastoral relationship in the great
prayer of the Church. Craig, I commend to your love
and care the people of St. James'. My brothers and sisters in
Christ, I commend to your love and care your new Rector,
colleague and friend, Craig Hacker.

Closing Blessing

Bishop God's blessing be with you,
Christ's peace be with you,
the Spirit's outpouring be with you,
now and always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Hymnal # 718

Dismissal

Rector Let us go forth into the world,
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

*All are welcome to join us downstairs in the Undercroft for a light luncheon
and to continue our celebration.*

Father Craig and Linda want to thank all those who planned, provided and will serve the luncheon. We are also grateful for all those who made this day so special, the Altar Guild and all of our church family who attended today.

Special thanks to Ellie Boutwell, Wayne Grimes and Gregg Learned for making this service booklet possible.

You have embraced and enfolded us into this loving church family and we are grateful to have the honor to join with you to serve this community and each other.