

S. JAMES'

9:30am Choral Matins



Sunday 9th February

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

As Sydney's oldest church, St James' is a place of soul-stirring worship, challenging preaching and fine music. We are a progressive community that welcomes all people regardless of age, race, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religion.

We also acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we worship
—the Gadigal of the Eora Nation.

Order of Service

Please stand as the Choir and Ministers enter.

Welcome

Officiant ✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All Amen.

The Officiant welcomes the people and introduces the Opening Hymn.

Hymn 240

You will find the words of the hymn in the green hymn book provided.

Confession

Officiant Dear friends, the Scriptures urge us to acknowledge our sins, and not to conceal them from God our heavenly Father, but to confess them with a penitent and obedient heart, so that we may be forgiven through his infinite goodness and mercy. We ought always to admit our sins before God, and especially when we come together to give thanks for the good things we have received at his hands, to offer the praise that is his due, to hear his holy word, and to ask what is necessary for the body as well as the soul. Therefore, let us draw near to the throne of our gracious God, as we pray:

Please sit or kneel.

All Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

Absolution

Officiant May the almighty and merciful Lord
 grant unto you ✠ pardon and remission of all your sins,
 time for amendment of life,
 and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

Please stand.

Preces

Officiant ✠ O Lord, open thou our lips.

Choir *And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.*

 ✠ O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end.

Amen.

 Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

Venite

We remain standing to sing the Venite together.

R. Goodson



O come let us | sing un· to the | Lord:

Let us heartily rejoice in the | strength of | our sal- | vation.

Let us come before his | presence · with | thanksgiving:

And shew ourselves | glad in | him with | psalms.

For the Lord is a | great_ | God:

And a great | King a- | bove all | gods.

In his hand are all the | corners · of the | earth:

And the strength of the | hills is | his_ | also.

The sea is | his · and he | made it:

And his | hands pre- | pared the · dry | land.

O come let us worship and | fall_ | down:

And | kneel be·fore the | Lord our | Maker.

For he is the | Lord our | God:

we are the people of his | pasture ·

and the | sheep · of his | hand.

Today if ye will hear his voice | harden · not your | hearts:

As in the provocation ·

and as in the day of temp- | tation | in the | wilderness.

Glory be to the Father and | to the | Son:

And | to the | Holy | Ghost.

As it was in the beginning is now and | ever | shall be:

World without | end. A- | - - | men.

Please sit.

Psalm 3

The Choir sings the psalms to a chant by Henry Purcell arranged by James Turle.

Domine, quid multiplicati?

LORD, how are they increased that trouble me! :

many are they that rise against me.

Many one there be that say of my soul :

There is no help for him in his God.

But thou, O Lord, art my defender :

thou art my worship, and the lifter up of my head.

I did call upon the Lord with my voice :

and he heard me out of his holy hill.

laid me down and slept, and rose up again :

for the Lord sustained me.

I will not be afraid for ten thousands of the people :

that have set themselves against me round about.

Up, Lord, and help me, O my God :

for thou smitest all mine enemies upon the cheek-bone;

thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.

Salvation belongeth unto the Lord :

and thy blessing is upon thy people.

Gloria patri...

First Reading

Jeremiah 26.1 - 16

Here begins the 26th chapter of the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah.

At the beginning of the reign of King Jehoiakim son of Josiah of Judah, this word came from the Lord: Thus says the Lord: Stand in the court of the Lord's house, and speak to all the cities of Judah that come to worship in the house of the Lord; speak to them all the words that I command you; do not hold back a word. It may be that they will listen, all of them, and will turn from their evil way, that I may change my mind about the disaster that I intend to bring on them because of their evil doings. You shall say to them: Thus says the Lord: If you will not listen to me, to walk in my law that I have set before you, and to heed the words of my servants the prophets whom I send to you urgently—though you have not heeded— then I will make this house like Shiloh, and I will make this city a curse for all the nations of the earth.

The priests and the prophets and all the people heard Jeremiah speaking these words in the house of the Lord. And when Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the Lord had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, ‘You shall die! Why have you prophesied in the name of the Lord, saying, “This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant”?’ And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the Lord.

When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king’s house to the house of the Lord and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the Lord. Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, ‘This man deserves the sentence of death because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears.’

Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, ‘It is the Lord who sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. Now therefore amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the Lord your God, and the Lord will change his mind about the disaster that he has pronounced against you. But as for me, here I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will be bringing innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the Lord sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears.’

Then the officials and all the people said to the priests and the prophets, ‘This man does not deserve the sentence of death, for he has spoken to us in the name of the Lord our God.’

Here ends the First Reading.

Te Deum

Please stand.

Choir We praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.
To thee all Angels cry aloud :
the heavens, and all the powers therein.
To thee Cherubin and Seraphin : continually do cry,
Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty : of thy glory.
The glorious company of the Apostles : praise thee.
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets : praise thee.
The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world : doth acknowledge thee;
The Father : of an infinite Majesty;
Thine honourable, true : and only Son;
Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.
Thou art the King of Glory : O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son : of the Father.
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man :
thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death :
thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God : in the glory of the Father.
We believe that thou shalt come : to be our Judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants :
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy Saints : in glory everlasting.
O LORD, save thy people : and bless thine heritage.
Govern them : and lift them up for ever.
Day by day : we magnify thee;
And we worship thy Name : ever world without end.
Vouchsafe, O Lord : to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us : have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us : as our trust is in thee.
O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.

Please sit.

Second Reading

Acts 3.1 - 10

Here begins the 3rd chapter of the Acts of the Apostles.

One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, at three o'clock in the afternoon. And a man lame from birth was being carried in. People would lay him daily at the gate of the temple called the Beautiful Gate so that he could ask for alms from those entering the temple. When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked them for alms. Peter looked intently at him, as did John, and said, 'Look at us.' And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. But Peter said, 'I have no silver or gold, but what I have I give you; in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, stand up and walk.' And he took him by the right hand and raised him up; and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. Jumping up, he stood and began to walk, and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. All the people saw him walking and praising God, and they recognized him as the one who used to sit and ask for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

Here ends the Second Reading.

Jubilate

Please stand.

Choir O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands :
 serve the Lord with gladness,
 and come before his presence with a song.
 Be ye sure that the Lord he is God :
 it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
 we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,
 and into his courts with praise :
 be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
 For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting :
 and his truth endureth from generation to generation.
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
 world without end. Amen.

Please remain standing.

Apostles' Creed

Officiant I believe in God
All **the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried,
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead,
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge
the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
The holy Catholick Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body,
✠ And the Life everlasting. Amen.**

Responses

Officiant The Lord be with you.
Choir *And with thy spirit.*
Let us pray.

Please sit or kneel.

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

*Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
And grant us thy salvation.
O Lord, save The King.
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
And make thy chosen people joyful.
O Lord, save thy people.
And bless thine inheritance.
Give peace in our time, O Lord.
Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
God, make clean our hearts within us.
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Collects

The Collect for The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

O LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy Church and household continually in thy true religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by thy mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Collect for Peace

O GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom:
Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Collect for Grace.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day:
Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Hymn 324

You will find the words of the hymn in the green hymn book provided.

Sermon

Hymn 383ii

*You will find the words of the hymn in the green hymn book provided.
During this hymn a collection for the church's ministry will be received.
You may wish to make your offering at sjks.org.au/donate, using the tap machines in the church or via the QR code provided.*



Blessing

Officiant May the light of the glorious gospel of Christ
shine in your hearts and fill our lives
with his joy and peace;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Organ Voluntary

Bach - *Mit Fried' und Freud' Ich fahr dahin*, BWV 616

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