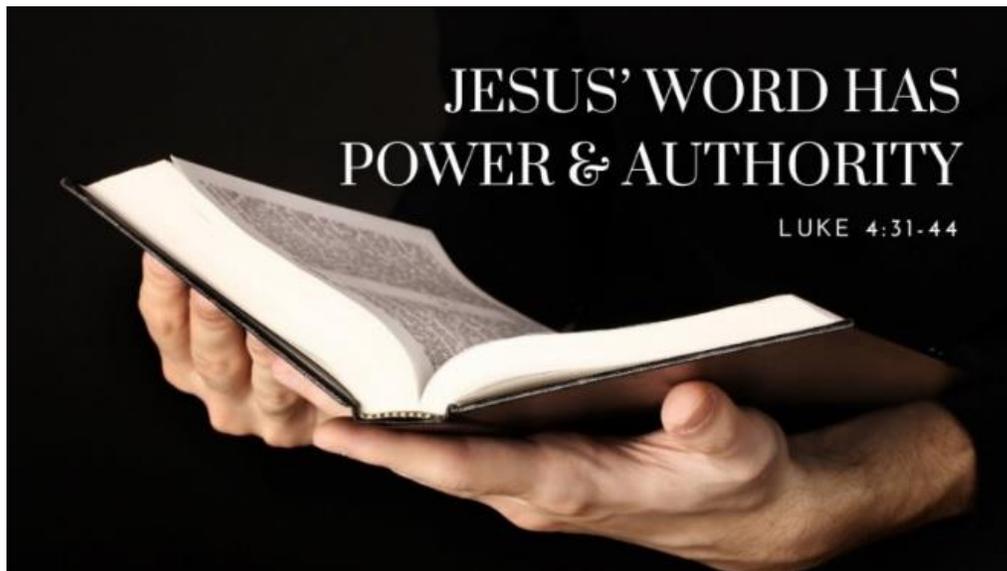


St James Lutheran Church

1741 State Street Greenfield, Indiana 46140 317.462.7340

*Our mission is to bring people to Christ,
encouraging relationship with Him and others*

Sunday, January 30th, 2022 9:30



A warm welcome to all! Let us join together with joyful hearts as we worship today. Extend the hand of friendship to those around you as we give thanks for the blessings of friends and family. May God be with you today and throughout the week!



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Welcome to St. James Lutheran Church

The mission statement of our congregation is:

To bring people to Christ, encouraging relationships with Him and others.

*Doug Gast, Interim Pastor
Joe Faith, Music Director*

TO ALL GUESTS...

- **THANKS** for joining us for worship today. We hope your experience will be one of being touched by God and of being enriched through our experience of fellowship. **Please fill out the Connection Card found in your bulletin and place in the offering plate.** And please come again!!

- **PARTICIPATE**
 - The worship service is printed in the bulletin and can also be viewed on the video screen for your convenience. Bulletins are emailed to all members each week.
 - **Please turn all cell phones and electronic devices off during the worship service.**
 - The service is streamed live and available online afterward on YouTube. Links can be found on the [St. James website](#) and [Facebook page](#).

- **COMMUNE** — All baptized Christians who believe that Jesus Christ is present with his body and blood in the bread and wine are invited to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's Table. The ushers will direct those receiving the sacrament down the center aisle to the altar rail.

- **NEED ASSISTANCE?**
 - **Hearing devices** are available for those who have trouble hearing through the loudspeaker system.
 - Hand sanitizer is available on the tables in the Narthex and in the pews.
 - Please feel free to ask an Usher for assistance, they will be happy to help you.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

January 30th, 2022

4th Sunday after Epiphany

9:30 a.m.

Meditation: *There is nothing more profound than love as the determining force that motivates all that we do as a church. It begins with the desire to love God more. And we're asked to love with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. As a church, we must love and pray for our church leaders. Without our on-going prayer our church will not be a healthy one.*

PRELUDE

Joe Faith

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Stand

INVOCATION & CONFESSION

P: Arise, shine, your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. (Isaiah 60:1) We gather in this season of Light to worship God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

C: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to you, that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. Therefore, we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Most merciful God, you have given your only Son to die for us. Have mercy on us, and for his sake grant us remission of all our sins. By your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of you and of your will, and true obedience to your word, so that by your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father has had mercy on us, and has given his only Son to die for us, and for his sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe in his name, he gives power to become children of God, and bestows on them his Holy Spirit. All who believe and are baptized shall be saved. Grant this, O Lord, unto us all.

C: Amen.

1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,
 2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion, The light first had its birth;
 3 To - day on wea - ry na - tions The heav'n-ly man - na falls;
 4 New grac - es ev - er gain - ing From this our day of rest,

O balm for care and sad - ness, Most beau - ti - ful, most bright:
 On you, for our sal - va - tion, Christ rose from depths of earth;
 To ho - ly con - vo - ca - tions The sil - ver trum - pet calls,
 We reach the rest re - main - ing To spir - its of the blest.

On you the high and low - ly, Through a - ges joined in tune,
 On you, our Lord vic - to - rious The Spir - it sent from heav'n;
 Where Gos - pel light is glow - ing With pure and ra - diant beams
 To Ho - ly Ghost be prais - es, To Fa - ther, and to Son;

Sing, “Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,” To the great God tri - une.
 And thus on you, most glo - rious, A three-fold light was giv'n.
 And liv - ing wa - ter flow - ing With soul - re - fresh - ing streams.
 The Church its voice up - rais - es To you, blest Three in One.

CALL TO WORSHIP *(based on the Psalm of the day)*

A: Great is the Lord!

C: Praise the Lord!

A: Great are His works!

C: He has shown us His powerful and awesome miracles.

A: He is powerful and knows all!

C: We are amazed by the work of the Lord!

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you!

A: Let us pray . . . Powerful God, You are Jehovah Jirah, Elohim, Jehovah Rapha, our Provider. You provide for our small needs, and You miraculously provide for our great needs. Our greatest need was redemption and through Jesus Christ, we have an established covenant with our God. Holy and awesome is Your name! We needed a Savior, we needed a friend, and God- You provided.

C: Hallelujah!

A: Now Holy Spirit, come and fill us now. We pray in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

Please be seated

THE READING

1 Corinthians 13:1-13 (pg. 988 in pew Bible)

Shall we desire gifts from the Holy Spirit? Yes! But, if we perform gifts by our own will or might and without love, we are like noisy and annoying instruments. When love motivates and drives our lives, we are servants for the Lord ready to be used, and the Holy Spirit can work in mighty ways! For love is the greatest of all gifts.

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ² If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. ⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. ⁸ Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰ but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. ¹¹ When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. ¹² For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. ¹³ And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

THE “GOSPEL ACCLAMATION”

In my life Lord, Be glorified, be glorified
In my life Lord, Be glorified today.
In my church Lord, Be glorified, be glorified
In my church Lord, Be glorified today.

THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 4:31-44 (*Jesus Drives Out an Impure Spirit*) (pg. 883 in pew Bible)

³¹ Then he went down to Capernaum, a town in Galilee, and on the Sabbath he taught the people. ³² They were amazed at his teaching, because his words had authority.

³³ In the synagogue there was a man possessed by a demon, an impure spirit. He cried out at the top of his voice, ³⁴ “Go away! What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!”

³⁵ “Be quiet!” Jesus said sternly. “Come out of him!” Then the demon threw the man down before them all and came out without injuring him.

³⁶ All the people were amazed and said to each other, “What words these are! With authority and power he gives orders to impure spirits and they come out!” ³⁷ And the news about him spread throughout the surrounding area.

Jesus left the synagogue and went to the home of Simon. Now Simon’s mother-in-law was suffering from a high fever, and they asked Jesus to help her. ³⁹ So he bent over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. She got up at once and began to wait on them.

⁴⁰ At sunset, the people brought to Jesus all who had various kinds of sickness, and laying his hands on each one, he healed them. ⁴¹ Moreover, demons came out of many people, shouting, “You are the Son of God!” But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew he was the Messiah.

⁴² At daybreak, Jesus went out to a solitary place. The people were looking for him and when they came to where he was, they tried to keep him from leaving them. ⁴³ But he said, “I must proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns also, because that is why I was sent.” ⁴⁴ And he kept on preaching in the synagogues of Judea.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Joe Rudy

Verse 1

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name
(REPEAT)

Chorus

Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all

Verse 2

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil

Chorus

Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all

Chorus

Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all

Verse 3

When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found

Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne

THE MESSAGE

Joe Rudy

Please Stand

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen*

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

SHARING OF THE PEACE

STEWARDSHIP TALK

Ron Westerfeld

THE OFFERING

Now we join with Christians all over the world in worshipping God through our giving of our financial resources. If you are a guest, please do not feel obligated to participate in the offering. Instead, we hope that we are able to give something to you. We welcome you to give only as your heart desires. For members and friends, the vision and ministry of St. James depends on your giving. We thank you in advance for your generosity. This time of offering is a significant act of worship as we now offer our offerings and tithes.

Please Stand

OFFERING RESPONSE

"Praise God"

*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.*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Gracious and generous God, you abound in faithfulness, mercy and love toward us. We count it a joy and a sacred gift to share with others what you have so freely given to us. Receive, we pray, the offerings of our hearts and lives that your name may be hallowed, your gospel proclaimed, and your kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING (*spoken*)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also 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: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

(Congregation sings:)

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION

Ushers will direct those receiving the Sacrament down the center aisle. For those who prefer, white grape juice is located in the center of the pre-filled trays. Common cup is also available. If you wish to kneel at the communion rail as you receive the Sacrament, please feel free to do so. Please dispose of your cup in the basket neat the side aisle.

Please Stand

LAMB OF GOD

"Lamb of God"

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.*

COMMUNION HYMN

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" v.1-4

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1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, With thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
soul he lead - eth And, where the ver - dant
love he sought me, And on his shoul - der
Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my

I am his And he is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid, And home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
com - fort still; Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Now may the holy body of our Lord Jesus Christ, and His precious blood, bless you, strengthen you and fill your heart and mind now and always.

C: Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

P: We have come to this church to find forgiveness and to be filled with new life in Christ. Let us go now and be the Church in those places where God has called us to serve; in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen!

THE CLOSING HYMN

“Everlasting God”

Words on screen

Verse

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord

Pre-Chorus

Our God You reign forever
Our Hope our strong Deliv'rer

Chorus

You are the everlasting God
The everlasting God
You do not faint
You won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

Verse

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In reverence of Christ, we invite you to follow the cross as it is carried out. You may use your hymnal to sing as you turn.

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Thank you to Joe Rudy for preaching today!

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

This Week, January 30th	9:30 a.m. Joe Rudy	Next Week, February 6th	9:30 a.m. Pastor Martins Irbe
Assisting Minister	Christian Gries	Assisting Minister	Tracy Guffey
Lector	Christian Gries	Lector	Alison LaFlower
Ushers	Jim Jackson Deb Jackson	Ushers	Jim Helgason Carolyn Helgason
Greeters	Bill Beck Tina Beck	Greeters	Betty Perotti
Altar Guild	Diana Clements-Scott	Altar Guild	Diana Clements-Scott
Communion Assistant	Tina Beck	Communion Assistant	Tina Beck
Acolyte	Eli Stearns	Acolyte	Luke Soberalski
Sound Technician	Dan Ivers	Sound Technician	Ronald Kissell
Video Technician	Ronald Kissell	Video Technician	Neal Guffey
Bread Baker	Kenya Ostermeier	Bread Baker	June Gries
Children's Sermon	Joe Rudy	Children's Sermon	Tracy Guffey
Counters (Monday) Wk5	Christian Gries Phil Miller	Counters (Monday) Wk1	Maggie Bode Cindy Gregory