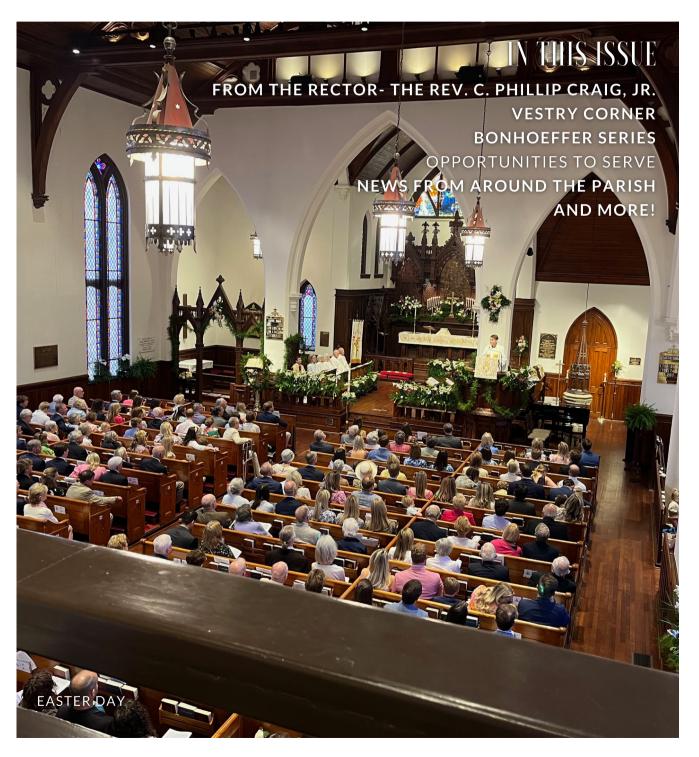
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HAPPENING AT ST. JAMES

SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES

DOWNTOWN CAMPUS 8:00 a.m. - RITE I 9:10 a.m. - Faith Formation 10:15 a.m. - RITE II & Livestream







WEEKDAY OPPORTUNITIES

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WEEKDAY MORNING PRAYER

MONDAY - FRIDAY | 8:00 a.m. Join us on Zoom

LIVING WELL IN GRIEF

1st & 3rd MONDAYS | 5:00 p.m. Graham Parlor or Zoom

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EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY

Tuesdays | 9:00 a.m. Register for Location

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YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays | 7:00 a.m. 2018 South 16th Street

CREATIVE CONNECTIONS

Wednesdays | 9:00 - 11:00 am Green Room & Stephen Ministry Room

HOLY EUCHARIST

Wednesdays | 12:10 p.m. Celebrating Holy Communion



EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY

Thursdays | 6:30 p.m. Register for Location

CHOIR PRACTICE

Thursdays | 7:00 p.m. St. James Choir Room

SAVE THE DATE: YOUTH SUNDAY

Sunday, April 21 | 10:15 a.m. Service

Make plans to join us for a special Sunday of worship with our St. James Youth who will be sharing their Faith experiences and their thoughts about spiritual development. We will also celebrate our High School Seniors and hear their plans for their future. Have questions or would like to help support this wonderful time of worship? Reach out to Cookie at Cookie@stjamesp.org.





Dear Parish Family,

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Our Sunday morning Gospel readings this year move directly from the joy and surprise of the empty tomb (Easter Sunday) to the resurrected Jesus visiting with "doubting" Thomas and the other disciples (Easter II). There is a jump, then, over one of my favorite scriptural moments - the road to Emmaus.

"Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him." Luke 24:12

The story of two seemingly hopeless travelers, so preoccupied and forlorn by their current situation that they cannot even see Jesus *right next to them* is such a relatable thing. It gives us the chance to ask ourselves: "How many times, I wonder, have I had my head down so far that I've overlooked God's very presence in my life?"

Indeed, how often might we casually move through our day, focused simply on chores and tasks and responsibilities? And in doing so, how often might we have plain missed the beauty of the present moment?

I appreciate that the story of the road to Emmaus invites us to ponder such questions. It's important to remember that without intention we can be very much out of touch with God's movement in our hearts and our daily lives.

Another thing I love about the road to Emmaus is the reminder that we all are called to be in community. These two individuals recognized together what they had missed.

Although we are all on our own journeys, we grow as we share with others – our stories, our doubts, our faith and our fears – the presence of God and the working of the Holy Spirit.

"With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him. Then they said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?"

The two disciples, recognizing that burning in their hearts, "set out at once" - even despite the dangers of night travel. How different this journey would have been had they not done so! This time there were no downcast eyes, but bright cheer and joy as they continued to reflect on what had happened. They were now spreading the good news!

Jesus physically disappeared from that table in Emmaus, but we see how he remained with them in their burning hearts. Jesus remains present with us too, whether we recognize him or not. When we open our hearts and feel them burn, though, we become just like those two disciples, ready to go.

My friends, our world is in need of great healing. Let's embrace our opportunity to run in joy - and to spread the good news of Christ's love and tender mercy.

Happy Easter!

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The Rev. C. Phillip Craig, Jr. phillip@stjamesp.org

Vestry Corner

"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." BCP, Holy Eucharist Rite 1

We all are very aware of the age of our buildings, so it is to be expected to have some surprises. A very old electrical breaker in the basement that connects one of our main feeds to the Sanctuary "broke", resulting in partial loss of lighting and service to the organ. The repairs were completed the following Friday with normal operations. We will also initiate a complete review of our fire safety for the entire campus. While we are talking about old properties, I am pleased to report that the paperwork snag between our contractor and the NC Department of Revenue has been resolved. A start date in early April is anticipated.

Many thanks to all those who gave money and volunteered for the Habitat for Humanity "Unity Build". SJP was a leader in this project. The exterior of the house is complete. Landscaping and some interior work remains before the new homeowner moves in.

Also many thanks to Tom Hackler for organizing and building a new storage closet for St. Martha's Guild, hidden on the left side of the Great Hall stage. This small addition provides these ladies with a

secure location to store the heavy serving platters, linens and other items in a safer, more accessible location. Russell Clark, Jim McFarland and Jack Clark were instrumental in getting the work done.

We are hoping to confirm another Rise Against Hunger meal packaging event for next October. Don Brainard has led this effort in the past, so we now have an opening in this leadership position. If you would like to show off your organizational skills with about 100 volunteers, please contact Mary Paul Beall. It is our desire to seek corporate sponsorship to offset the \$20,000.00 cost for the one-day event. More details will follow as this develops.

The Mount Lebanon Committee has been active over the winter, and is ready for another great season. As in the past, the chapel will be available for tour during the Azalea Festival, with members of our Evangelism Committee serving as hosts. Then, we all look forward to our first Sunday of worship on May 26th. We look forward to seeing you there.

Blessings and God's Peace.

Alex Murchison - Senior Warden Rachel Colonna - Junior Warden







The William and Alexander Society & Our Upcoming Celebration

The William and Alexander Society was founded in 2006 to recognize all who have donated or made planned charitable gifts to the Foundation.

The Society is named for the first parishioners to make bequests to St. James. In 1739, William Flavell left 200 pounds in his will for the construction of "an English church in Newton" – an earlier name for Wilmington. William Faris, in 1757, and Alexander Duncan, in 1768, left money to finish the church building, which took 19 years to complete (1751-1770). Their future thinking and generosity funded the church that we know and cherish today. The St. James Foundation's mission is to support the needs of St. James Parish in perpetuity. The Foundation oversees more than \$4 million in assets and historically distributes up to 4% of the assets annually to provide financial support for St. James at the Vestry's discretion.

Contributing to the Foundation ensures that you are leaving a lasting legacy for the continued preservation of our campus and parish. The Foundation looks forward to honoring all who have helped provide a permanent and growing endowment to St. James Parish for this generation and those to come.

With this in mind, The St. James Parish Foundation is excited to host the William and Alexander Society Celebration this spring on **April 18, 2024.** At the celebration, we will announce the recipient(s) of the **Dorothy Weathersbee Award** recognizing exceptional philanthropy. We look forward to honoring the generosity of our fellow parishioners. Invitations have been sent to those who are already Society members. If you have included St. James in your estate plans, please contact Maria Hollopeter at finance@stjamesp.org by April 1, so that we may recognize your planned gift and include you in our event.

If you are interested in learning more about the Foundation, please contact Maria Hollopeter or any Foundation director. Directors are listed on the parish website at <u>stjamesp.org/st-james-foundation</u>.

The St. James Speaker Series: Bonhoeffer in a Time of Responsibility

Tuesdays, April 16 - May 7, 2024 | 6:00 - 7:30 PM

The St. James Speaker Series is pleased to announce a very special upcoming four-part evening series on the writings and work of theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Led by Bonhoeffer scholar, Dr. Wayne Floyd (husband of The Rev. Dr. Nancy Jose)), we invite you to join us on Tuesdays, beginning April 16 for Bonhoeffer In a Time of Responsibility, a present-day deep dive into the wisdom of one of Christian history's most important figures.

Series installments for April will be held in the Great Hall, 6:00-7:30pm, and will begin with a light dinner, followed by Wayne Floyd's presentation and concluding with a time for questions and brief closing Compline. The May 7 installment will be in the Lippitt Room over hors d'oeuvres and will be an



open group discussion/overview of the prior presentations; how Bonhoeffer's teachings share parallels with our current culture and "time of responsibility" as fellow Christians.

We invite you to share in this unique opportunity to hear and learn about Dietrich Bonhoeffer from one of the theologian's foremost authorities. While the series is open to all, reservations for dinner (\$15 per person) are required. RSVP instructions coming soon!

JUBI-LATTE ROUNDTABLE

- Meets in the Youth Room

On Sunday Mornings, our 6th-12th graders are invited to join us in the Youth Room for the Jubi-Latte Roundtable, with coffee and conversation.

FAITH ADVENTURERS

- 2nd Floor Milton Hall (4th and 5th graders): Grab a cozy seat and get ready to get lost in a book. This spring we will set out to uncover the themes of God's love for us.

FAITH BUILDERS

- 2nd Floor Milton Hall (2nd and 3rd graders):
Building Faith Brick by
Brick. We will explore the
Bible in an imaginative
way using our minds,
hands and LEGOS!

FAITH FOUNDATIONS

- 2nd Floor Milton Hall (K5 & 1st Graders): Building a foundation in faith invites learning about God using the Bible as our road map. Explore, create and marvel at God's big love for us!

FAITH THROUGH WONDER

- 2nd Floor Milton Hall (3s & 4s): Explore God's love for us. We will engage in stories, create crafts and enjoy time together exploring all the wonder in God's creations.

Faith Formation in April sunday mornings at 9:10 a.m.

DISCIPLES' CLASS - Meets in the Lippitt Room

During the Season of Lent, the Rev. Robert Bayley and our St. James Clergy led us through a series on the Healing Ministry of Jesus and the Healing Service in the Book of Common Prayer. During the month of April, we will continue with the theme of healing.

- · April 7, 2024: Pastoral Care and Healing
 - Led by the Rev. Cheryl Brainard
 - The Revered Cheryl Brainard will speak about her experiences as a hospital chaplain, and the importance of lay hospital and skilled facility ministry. There is a balance to be struck between respecting one's privacy versus offering church family support. Cheryl will offer some valuable tips on how to discern these and other practical tips for making a pastoral visit.
- · April 14, 2024: Healing Through a Lifetime of Prayer
 - Led by Lisa Richey
 - Lisa Richey will share her topic, Healing Through a Lifetime of Prayer. Lisa is a lifelong Episcopalian; currently a member of Grace Episcopal/ Christ the King Lutheran church in Whiteville; and is the Coordinator of Education for Ministry for the diocese. She's a recovering banker who divides her time between trying to take care of herself, making paper art, leading retreats, serving as a spiritual director and working toward her new life goal to one day become one of those old women about whom the neighborhood children make-up stories. "So far, so good!" she says.
- · April 21, 2024: Writing to Heal
 - Led by the Rev. Mary McKnight
 - The Revered Mary McKnight will share the value of writing and creativity for connecting with ourselves and others. As we age, we see our physical bodies decline, but our spirits can strengthen and become wiser. Reflecting and sharing our life stories can be a way for us to gain spiritual strength and think creatively about where we are and where we want to go during all of the phases of our lives.
- April 28th, 2024: Healing Through Service
 - Led by Dr. Carrie Young
 - Dr. Carrie Young will talk about the experience of living in an indigenous culture during her time in the Peace Corps, and the ways that her spiritual life deepened during that time as she experienced the connection and love possible in community and among people from different cultures and backgrounds.

FAITH DISCUSSIONS - Meets in the Stephen Ministry Room

Each of these Faith Discussions' sessions is a guided, round-table discussion around a set topic to be announced during the two weeks prior to each session, during which all have the opportunity to share their thoughts and experiences, from greatest joys to deepest challenges. All adults are invited to join in these discussions as we explore how our faith in God meets our daily lives.

- April 7, 2024
 - April 21, 2024
- April 14, 2024
- April 28, 2024

LET'S GET TOGETHER

VESTRY MEETING

April 8 | 5:15 p.m. | Graham Parlor

Our Vestry gathers on the second Monday of each month at 5:15 p.m. in the Graham Parlor to discuss the business of the parish and to hear from our parish family. These meetings are open and members of St. James Parish are welcome to attend. This is a great opportunity for those considering serving on the Vestry to get a feel for the work of the Vestry in our parish.

COHI CONTINUING ED

Tuesday, April 9 | 5:00 p.m.

Those who have completed Community of Hope International training are invited to a COHI Continuing Education offering Tuesday, April 9. The Rev. Cheryl Brainard will be sharing details so please keep an eye out for those.

CREATIVE CONNECTIONS

Wednesdays | 9:00 -12:00 p.m. | Stephen Ministry Room Join us for our Drop-in Community Building Opportunity & Bible Study! Bring your creative projects—knitting, crochet, origami, scrapbooking, quilting (whittling perhaps?) or any project you can fit in your lap or on a table. Some will choose to work on mission projects together, like making socks and hats or rice bags. Others may need help with a personal project. Come and learn to sew, knit, or crochet from the pros. We meet in the 2 rooms above the Great Hall. Stay as little or as long as you can.

CHOIR REHEARSALS

Sundays | 9:15 - 10:05 a.m. | Choir Room

As we prepare to vest for Sunday morning worship, we'll squeeze in one more quick rehearsal with those who are able to join us in the service. We're always ready for a little extra joy and music.

Thursdays | 7:00-8:30 p.m. | Choir Room

Choir practice always begins with vocal warm ups peppered with encouraging quips and anecdotes from Choir Director John Sullivan. As a transition from warmups, we sing through the hymns for the upcoming Sunday to polish up the phrasing and four-part harmonies. Then we work on our parts for upcoming anthems. Remember when you sing for church you pray twice. And the Lord says make a joyful noise! If you are interested in learning more about joining the St. James Choir, please reach out to *music@stjamesp.org*.



LIVING WELL IN THE MIDST OF GRIEF & LOSS

1st & 3rd Mondays | 5:00 p.m. |
Graham Parlor or on Zoom
When we face an ending or a loss,
we can experience grief in a number
of ways and one size does not fit all.
Come join us as we take this journey
together. Reach out to the Rev.
Cheryl Brainard at
cheryl@stjamesp.org for more
information.

MORNING PRAYER

Mon. -Fri. | 8:00-8:30 a.m. | Zoom Come join us for the Daily Office of Morning Prayer! Each weekday on Zoom we gather for a time of prayer and fellowship. If you would like the zoom link sent to your email each morning, please reach out to Erin at communications@stjamesp.org

HOLY EUCHARIST

Wednesdays | 12:10 pm.

Join us in the St. James Chapel for a

Noonday Eucharist. Come partake
in Holy Communion each

Wednesday throughout the year.

ON THE HORIZON

AN INVITATION FROM THE ST. JAMES COMMITTEE FOR RACIAL UNITY

Saturday, April 27 | 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. | Great Hall All are warmly welcome to join the Committee for Racial Unity for a morning of education and conversation on Saturday, April 27 from 9:00 - 11:30am with a light continental breakfast starting at 8:30am. During our time together, we will hear from Church of the Servant's Racial Equity project, explore Becoming Beloved Community- a framework developed by the National Church, and spend time evaluating our committee's goals and vision for the future. We are open to all, so whether you have already been to some meetings or are new and looking to engage, we would love to see you on April 27!

RSVP Now online or by calling the church. Childcare is available with advance registration. Have questions? Please reach out to Ginny Woodruff at ginny@vcwoodruff.com.

For more information on St. James' Committee for Racial Unity: *stjamesp.org/racialhealing/*

MEN ON A MISSION: GLORY RIDGE 2024

April 25-28 | Glory Ridge



Each year many of our St. James Youth travel to the camp at Glory Ridge in the mountains of western North Carolina. Glory Ridge offers our Youth the opportunity to slow down and to hear the whisper of God through the quiet of nature and the service of others. Glory Ridge has been giving to our Youth and to our parish for many years, and the St. James Men on a Mission are giving back to the camp that makes it all possible!

April 25-28, MoM will travel to Marshall, NC to get Glory Ridge ready for summer 2024, as well as make some light construction improvements on behalf of the folks in the very impoverished surrounding area. We will send a team of 20 MoM members and male adult guests who are ready to serve in this way. No construction skills are needed, but you will need to be able to navigate the uneven paths and terrain of the camp. A \$100 per registrant fee will help cover the costs of food, lodging in the cabins, and transportation. Register and donate online at stjamesp.org/mom-gr24

MOM: SERVING AT GOOD SHEPHERD & SGT. ASHLEY CENTERS

In 2024, The St. James Men on a Mission will continue to serve dinner at Good Shepherd on the first and third Tuesdays of the month (4:30-7:00 pm), as well as at the Sgt Ashley Center (5:00-7:00 pm) for homeless veterans on the fourth Thursday of each month. If you are interested in signing up to serve with this special group of guys, please reach out to Brian McMerty at bmcmerty@arris.partners. This month we'll serve on April 2, 16, & 25

Service Opportunities

If you are interested in learning how you can serve with our church family, there are tons of great ways to get involved! Here are a few ministry opportunities with immediate availability to serve (aka, we need you):

- · Lectors/Readers
- Acolytes/Crucifers
- Greeters
- PenPals

- · Altar Guild
- Ushers
- Wedding Guild
- Chalice/LEM
- Sunday School Teacher
- Office Volunteer Ministry
- Parish Shop
- · St. James Choir

NEWCOMER CAMPUS TOUR

Sunday, April 21 | 11:30 AM | Great Hall

Save the date! Sunday, April 21, Newcomers and "oldcomers" are invited to join us for the Downtown Campus Tour! Following the 10:15 a.m. service, at around 11:30 a.m. We'll gather in the Great Hall for a time of fellowship and we'll form smaller groups for campus tours. Guides will take you through the campus and introduce you to classrooms and meeting spaces. Childcare is available with advance registration. You may register on our website or by emailing communications@stjamesp.org.

WILMINGTON SYMPHONY YOUTH ORCHESTRA CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

Sunday, April 21, 2024 | 3:00 PM | St. James Parish All are invited to join us for a free concert presented by the Wilmington Symphony Youth Orchestra Chamber Ensemble. Make plans to stop by St. James Episcopal Church on Sunday, April 21st at 3:00 p.m. for beautiful music from our talented neighbors!

BREAD BREAKERS' "HOSPITALITY AT HOME" RETURNS IN APRIL

Sunday, April 28 | 4:00 -6:00 PM | The Currin Home

The Bread Breakers are a welcoming group of young adults and families that gather to share fellowship and service. Their monthly gatherings 'Hospitality at Home' include a potluck meal, plenty of time and space for conversation and fun activities for kids of all ages. The St. James Bread Breakers' are hosting Hospitality at Home in April! The Currin Family is signed up to host this great event. We invite everyone to bring a side dish and join us at 4:00 p.m. on the designated day to enjoy time together in a family-friendly atmosphere for a potluck-style dinner. Kids, Friends, and Guests are welcome! RSVP link is up now on the SJP website. If you are interested in helping to host a Hospitality at Home gathering, please reach out to Rachel Colonna at *rcolonna85@gmail.com*.

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

- BISHOP VISIT & CONFIRMATION Sunday, May 5, 2024 | 10:15 AM | St. James Parish
- FIRST SUNDAY AT MT. LEBANON CHAPEL Sunday, May 26, 2024 | Summer Service Schedule:
 - o 8:00 AM Rite I St. James Parish
 - o 8:30 AM Rite II Mt. Lebanon Chapel
 - o 9:30 AM Rite II Mt Lebanon Chapel
 - 10:15 AM Rite II St. James Parish & Livestream

REMEMBERING REV. GLOVER

Sunday, April 21 | 11:30 AM | Lippitt Room

All are warmly welcome to join the family of the Rev. Mortimer Glover for a time of remembrance on April 21st in the Lippitt Room. We will gather at St. James Episcopal Church following the 10:15 am. Our hope is to collect memories and share stories of Rev. Glover and his time at St. James. Light refreshments are to be served. Have questions about this opportunity or would like to share a story ahead of time? Please reach out to Jane Rippy.



August 5th-August 8th | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. VBS returns August 5th-August 8th. Registration for Start the Party is NOW OPEN and we have a few spaces remaining. Register online at stjamesp.org/vbs24/

As we begin to dive into planning for another wonderful VBS, we're calling on our parish family to help us make it happen. There lots of ways to get involved! We have opportunities for all ages and abilities.

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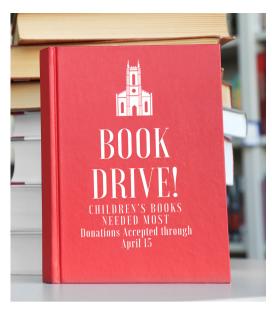
To volunteer now, please email Ansley Trask at *christianformation@stjamesp.org.*

OUTREACH

OUTREACH SPOTLIGHT: YOUTH LED BOOK DRIVE

Cecilia Parker, a New Hanover High School Student and member of our St. James Youth Group, is collecting books as a service project so children of all ages will have great books to read.

Through April 15, all are invited to participate in a book drive benefiting the Cape Fear Literacy Council and The Harrelson Center. The Cape Fear Literacy Council, in particular, is in need of new or gently-used books for children about fire safety. They will be coordinating with Wilmington Fire Departments to distribute these books to local children.



Both groups are in need to children's and young adult books, they are also in need of kids and adult coloring books and materials. Books for all ages are welcome! You may donate by placing your books in the donation boxes around campus on Sunday mornings or by bringing them to the church office during office hours. If you have questions about the drive or a potential donation, please reach out to communications@stjamesp.org.

GIVING THANKS FOR THE OUTREACH OF EASTER BASKETS

Each year, our St. James Youth take on a special outreach project. In collaboration with the Episcopal Farmworker Ministry, our young people take on the project of shopping for and building Easter baskets for the children of migrant farmworkers. This year, we built 128 Easter baskets and pre-filled 1000 Easter eggs. Thank you to all who were a part of making this happen!



PARISH SHOP HOURS

Sundays | 8:45 - 10:30 a.m.

The Parish Gift Shop is an important part of our community outreach efforts.

There are many products in the shop that directly support local and national charities. A Safe Place, Kids Making it and Thistle Farms, are just a few of the names

you may recognize. We are grateful for each purchase. These organizations are thankful for our support.

Thank you all for choosing to support the Parish Shop and sharing your generosity.

A SAFE PLACE LUNCHES

St. James Parish is actively a partner with A Safe Place. They focus on prevention, advocacy, and restoration to assist victims of commercial sexual exploitation and sex trafficking. One of the ways we assist ASP is by providing lunch for the twenty girls who visit the Outreach Center. If you are interested in providing a lunch for these girls please visit the MealTrain Sign Up. There are 8-10 opportunities per month! Have questions about this ministry? Reach out to Cathy Halligan at cathyfhalligan@gmail.com.

RICE BAG MINISTRY

Love to sew? Another great way to support A Safe Place is through the Rice Bag Ministry. Pop by Creative Connections on Wednesday mornings to learn how to make rice bags. Proceeds from their sale support ASP.

ST. JAMES YOUTH



YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays | 7:00 AM | 16th St. Starbucks
The Wednesday Bible Study is a favorite. We've consistently had an average of 25 participants each week. Youth are invited to join us each Wednesday for our weekly "Check In & BIBLE STUDY." If you're interested in participating reach out to Cookie@stjamesp.org.

SUNDAY MORNINGS: JUBI-LATTE ROUNDTABLE & CONFIRMATION

Sundays | 9:10 AM | Youth Room

Our youth put the Latte in Jubi-latte. During the Sunday School hour, 6th-12th graders gather for a special roundtable in the Youth Room. Get ready to be caffeinated and talk about God. If you're interested in participating and have questions, reach out to Cookie.

GLORY RIDGE REGISTRATION OPEN June 9-15

During their time on the Ridge our young people will take time to connect with God's creation through quiet moments, fellowship, music, and service of the human family. We ask that our parish family lift them up in prayer as they soak in all of the love and wisdom the time together brings! Learn more about this special opportunity on our St. James website. stjamesp.org/glory-ridge/

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

- IGNITE! Gatherings April 14, 21, & 28
- Youth Sunday- April 21
- Confirmation & Bishop Visit May 5
- Silent Auction- May 12-15
- Glory Ridge Mission Experience June 9 15

THE ST. JAMES YOUTH 2024 SILENT AUCTION

DONATION DEADLINE: 4/28
BIDDING BEGINS: 5/12
BIDDING ENDS: 5/15

To help raise money for our materials, our travel and our outreach opportunities, The "Silent Auction 2024" will be held Sunday, May 12-15 from 5:00 - 6:30 pm.

We are writing to ask you for a donation to this Auction. Entries can be "one-of-a-kind" items, such as jewelry, original works of art, vacation homes, hunting or fishing opportunities. Gift certificates from local restaurants, entertainment opportunities, legal, medical and automotive services, tickets to college or professional sports events, gourmet dinners and cocktail parties are always popular items.

Please USE YOUR IMAGINATION and have fun with your ideas. And...... YES! You may write a check! Please make it out to "St. James Youth Ministries." Each item that is donated and each check that is written will be used to help other people while we learn so much from them! Oh, YES! You may also donate an item/service/beach house/mountain house/ boating experience/cooking class...... use your imagination. All donations, financial, Items, experiences, etc. will be greatly appreciated and used for helping out world be a better place.

We thank you in advance for your help and your support. We thank you for your investment in the lives of our young people. Please have all gifts / donations at the church by April 28.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for our ONLINE SILENT AUCTION, May 12 - 15 so that you can join the fun! If you have any questions, please call us.

COME AND SEE- SILENT AUCTION PREVIEW

Sunday, May 12 | 8:00 -11:30 AM | St. James Youth Room (Downstairs in Perry Hall!)

Before you bid, come join our St. James Youth in Perry Hall on the morning of the 12th for our Come and See Silent Auction Preview. This will be your chance to get an up-close look at some of the items up for bid! The Cash and Carry will officially be open for business and will be a first come first serve opportunity to purchase some of our smaller items throughout the duration of this year's Auction. We invite everyone to participate and bid!



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