

ST. JAMES NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- RITE II

## WEEKDAY OPPORTUNITIES

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### 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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### YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAYS | 7:00 a.m.

2018 South 16th Street

### WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAYS | 11:00 a.m.

Graham Parlor or Zoom

### HOLY EUCHARIST

WEDNESDAYS | 12:10 p.m.

Celebrating Holy Communion

### CHILDREN'S CHOIR

WEDNESDAYS | 5:45 p.m.

Children's Chapel

### PARISH DINNER

WEDNESDAYS | 6:00 p.m.

Perry Hall

### PASSION NARRATIVES SERIES

WEDNESDAYS | 7:00 p.m.

Bishop Wright Room or Zoom

### ST. JAMES CHOIR PRACTICE

WEDNESDAYS | 7:00 p.m.

Choir Room

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### PRAYING SHAPES BELIEVING

THURSDAYS | 6:00 p.m.

Lippitt Room

### EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY

THURSDAYS | 6:30 p.m.

Graham Parlor





# From the Rector

Dear Parish Family,

Shrove Tuesday this year began for me with a very early text message from a friend. Her beloved husband had died peacefully during the night, with her by his side. He had lived an extraordinary life of almost 93 years. I was so honored to receive that text, and to later witness a beautiful sense of earthly closure and peace with his death, despite the normal grief of those who love him so dearly.

The very same morning, only a few hours later, Day School Director Ansley Trask came to the office to share unimaginable news: a precious two year old child in our day school had also died in her home overnight. From that moment forward, Parish and Day School staff and families rallied with numerous ways to embrace and rightfully support a deeply grieving family. To show with our steadfast presence and voices and hearts that we bear the love and sadness of their family in Christ.

The very next day was Ash Wednesday. This is the day when we begin the season of Lent. This is the day when we pause to acknowledge our earthly mortality - and place ashes on our foreheads to remember God's holy words, "Remember that your dust, and to dust you shall return." We held three services in our Church, and a fourth in our Children's Chapel with our day school students. I will confess that our earthly mortality felt especially tender to me that day. I don't imagine I was alone with those thoughts and feelings.

The season of Lent calls us to be more intentional about both the joys and the challenges of mortality. To note the many blessings of our lives that are so easily overlooked. To remember that each one of us is gifted, and to give freely of those gifts. To refocus on the tangible power of our relationships with one another. To simply remember that we don't live forever here on this earth, and that we are in desperate need of God's love and grace. Rather than taking on this season of Lent as onerous or task-driven, we look forward and stay on the path toward the great celebration to follow on Easter Sunday.

Thanks be to Christ that through his death and resurrection a greater kingdom awaits us, whether our lives have spanned two years or ninety-two years.

Blessings,

*Phillip*

The Rev. C. Phillip Craig, Jr.

[phillip@stjamesp.org](mailto:phillip@stjamesp.org)



*Father of all, we pray to you for  
those we love, but see no longer.  
Grant them your peace, let light  
perpetual shine upon them; and, in  
your loving wisdom and almighty  
power, work in them the good  
purpose of your perfect  
will, through Jesus Christ  
our Lord.  
Amen.*



*BCP 504*

# Vestry Corner

*Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.  
-1 Thessalonians 5:11*

There are five Wednesday night suppers planned for March in Perry Hall, beginning March 1st at 6:00pm. One dinner each will be hosted by the Youth, the Episcopal Church Women, the Vestry, the Bread Breakers Group and Men on a Mission. Children's Choir rehearsal will precede the dinners at 5:45. The dinners will be followed by a Lenten Series entitled "Exploring the Passion Narratives of Jesus Christ," led by our Associate Rector Gray Hodsdon. All are welcome!

Congratulations to Tom Tully on his election as a Lay Delegate to the General Convention 2024 in Louisville, Kentucky. Tom will be one of the four Lay Delegates to represent our Diocese at this Convention, at which a new Presiding Bishop will be elected. Also, Barbara Whitesides was elected as Chair of the Board of Managers for Trinity Center. Phillip Craig also serves on that Board. Cheryl Brainard has been elected to the Executive Council. Gray Hodsdon and Steve Thomas were appointed to the Finance Committee. SJP is well represented at the Diocesan level.

Many thanks to John Jordan and the Speakers Series Committee for an excellent presentation by the Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston. Combined with support from First Presbyterian Church, over 200 people attended. This committee is working hard to line up more, high quality speakers.

At the recent "This is Us" gathering with the Vestry, several people asked about publishing the names of the numerous ministry participants in the Sunday services. While this information may not be appropriate for on-line publication as part of the service bulletin, plans are being developed for a separate insert that will include the names of all participants of services on one side, with "This Week at SJP" planner on the backside. It is hoped this insert may help us get to know our fellow parishioners better. Another helpful way is for all of us to remember to wear our name tags.

The Buildings and Grounds Committee has established three priorities: repairs and updating in the Great Hall kitchen, repairs to the Market Street steps to the Great Hall, and the condition of the exterior stucco on Perry Hall. At Mount Lebanon Chapel, the siding has been repaired and a new electrical panel installed, and a new stone paver walkway has been completed in the cemetery. A clean-up day is planned for April 1st, just prior to the summer opening on May 21st.

The Vestry is always eager and happy to hear from you.

Alex Murchison, Junior Warden





# A New Path

Mt. Lebanon Chapel is a very special place to many of us at St. James Parish, but none more special than those who have family members there for eternity. The All Saints Memorial Gardens at Mt. Lebanon Chapel has become a place of deep spiritual connection for many. Our hope is that this connection grows as the years go by. With this bigger picture in mind, St. James parishioner Bill Oakley urged the Mt. Lebanon Chapel Board to address the walkability of the Memorial Garden. Bill approached the Mt. Lebanon Chapel Board with a generous offer to fund a new pathway such that current and future members of St. James could more easily access the Memorial Garden. The former Memorial Garden path was soft granite screenings. While the path was walkable, it provided a challenge for wheelchairs, walkers and anyone who was not sure-footed.

The Mt. Lebanon Board took a thoughtful approach to this project. For the laying of the path, they selected North State Gardens to assist with installation. NSG was very familiar with our property as they were also used to install the Labyrinth! The new path is comprised of grey pavers that fit well with the natural setting of the Cemetery. The permeable approach to the joints between the pavers allowed us to also correct a drainage/erosion issue on the former path. The displaced granite screenings from the old path did not go to waste. The Mt. Lebanon Chapel Board elected to re-use the granite screenings to supplement the natural driveway in front of the Chapel.

The completed path has greatly improved accessibility and fixed an erosion issue while preserving the natural beauty of the All Saints Memorial Garden. Thank you to Bill Oakley and the Mt. Lebanon Chapel Board for making it happen!



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As we move forward, we invite you to share the below opportunities with candidates you feel may be a good fit for our Parish Staff!

## PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

St. James Parish, Wilmington, is seeking a detail-oriented individual, with superior time management skills, to oversee parish facilities and coordinate daily operations of the church office, including campus maintenance, management of support staff, and parish events.

The ideal candidate should have experience managing resources and supervising programs and/or facilities, as this position facilitates logistics for church gatherings and activities and is the key contact with outside groups seeking to utilize space on the St. James campus.

This role is full-time and on-site. The Parish Administrator reports to the St. James Rector.

Candidates are invited to submit their resume, a letter of interest, and three references to [personnel@stjamesp.org](mailto:personnel@stjamesp.org). Deadline to apply has been extended

## Staff Opportunities

### EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE CLERGY

St. James Parish, Wilmington, is seeking a detailed individual to support the Rector and other clergy in parish administration. The ideal candidate should be collaborative, efficient and well-organized. A priority for this position is confidentiality for all pastoral concerns related to parishioners, staff and all others.

This role is full-time and on-site. The Executive Assistant to the Clergy reports to the St. James Rector.

Candidates are invited to submit their resume, a letter of interest, and three references to [personnel@stjamesp.org](mailto:personnel@stjamesp.org). Deadline to apply has been extended.

# Faith Formation Opportunities:

## SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 10:10 AM

### **DISCIPLES' CLASS - Meets in the Lippitt Room or Via Zoom**

- **March 5, 2023: Living Well Through Lent 2023: Practicing Compassion With All Your Heart, Soul, Strength and Mind**
  - *Speaker: Disciple Class Members*
    - Join us for a discussion of readings in the Living Compass Lent series, "Living Well Through Lent" which is centered on practicing compassion. Devotional booklets will be available for all. Designed for both individual reflection and for group study, this Lenten series provides a foundation for seeking a deeper experience of Lent, an experience that will help prepare us for the true meaning of Easter. We will share our thoughts in group discussions as we reflect upon the Lenten theme of compassion.
- **March 12, 2023: Combined Faith Formation - This is Us**
  - Meet with wider parish family for a time of sharing with parishioners in the Medical Field.
- **March 19, 2023: What is Worship?**
  - *Speaker- The Rev'd Geoffrey M. St. J. Hoare*
  - Join us in the Lippitt Room for a discussion with The Rev'd Geoffrey M. St. J. Hoare. We tend to carry unexamined assumptions about what we are doing when we worship. In these two classes we will attempt to name and examine those assumptions. During this gathering we will consider what worship is and what it is not, drawing, in part, on the work of James Alison.
- **March 26, 2023: What is Worship?**
  - *Speaker- The Rev'd Geoffrey M. St. J. Hoare*
  - Join us in the Lippitt Room for a discussion with The Rev'd Geoffrey M. St. J. Hoare. We tend to carry unexamined assumptions about what we are doing when we worship. In these two classes we will attempt to name and examine those assumptions. During this gathering we will consider the shape of the Eucharist as worship and why we do what we do, paying particular attention to the practice of intercessory prayer.

### **FAITH DISCUSSIONS - Meets in the Stephen Ministry Room**

- **March 5, 2023: Discussion questions - What is Love? What is Christian Love?**
- **March 12, 2023: Combined Faith Formation - This is Us**
  - Meet with wider parish family for a time of sharing with parishioners in the Medical Field.
- **March 19, 2023: Discussion question - What does it mean to love God?**
- **March 26, 2023: Discussion question - How do we love God?**

### **JUBI-LATTE ROUNDTABLE -**

#### **Meets in Cookie's Office**

On Sunday Mornings, our 6th-12th graders are invited to join us in Cookie's Office 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 Narnia. This winter/spring, we will set out to uncover the themes in *Wonder*.

### **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.





# Upcoming Opportunities

## ECW: LADIES NIGHT OUT WITH SHERI CASTLE

**Tuesday, March 21, 2023 | 7:00 p.m. | St. James Parish**

The St. James Parish Episcopal Church Women are very excited to host an evening of wine, food and fellowship on March 21st. We invite the community to join us in celebrating our first gathering of 2023. The ECW has invited guest speaker Sheri Castle to kick off the celebration. Sheri is the host and producer of her PBS show THE KEY INGREDIENT. She has been the Contributing Food Editor at Southern Living Magazine since 1998. Sheri is coming to St. James ECW to share some good southern storytelling with a dash of great recipes and fellowship.

Join us on Tuesday, March 21, 2023 for this special presentation. At 6:00 p.m. there will be a reception for Sheri Castle in the Lippitt Room followed by her presentation at 7:00 p.m. in the Great Hall. You may find more information about parking and facilities access on the St. James Parish website.

Copies of Ms. Castle's cookbooks will be available for purchase in the Parish Shop.



## MEN ON A MISSION: FELLOWSHIP EVENT

**Sunday, March 26, 2023 | 3:30-6:00 PM | Pleasant Oaks Plantation**

Mark your calendars! Men on a Mission is having its first-ever all-inclusive fellowship event on Sunday, March 26th at Pleasant Oaks Plantation. 3:30-6:00 PM.

Come enjoy this beautiful setting with wonderful church friends, a catered barbeque with all the fixin's, drinks of all varieties (including a Steve Thomas Oktoberfest), a bluegrass band, and lots of great fellowship. You're invited to bring a spouse, partner, friend, or come solo. Each MoM member may bring one 21+-year-old guest of any gender. We'll have a large tent available for shade and we will have fun, rain or shine.

Register now online! Use the button below to register now! Cost \$25 for one, and \$40 for two. As always, net proceeds from MoM events go toward MoM outreach efforts. We hope to see you all out at Pleasant Oaks Plantation!



## WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

### CHILDREN'S CHOIR

**5:45-6:15 PM | Children's Chapel**

Join Mr. John in the Children's Chapel for Choir practice each Wednesday during March as we prepare for a special presentation on Palm Sunday!

### ADULT CHOIR

**7:00 PM | Choir Room**

Love to sing? Come join the fun in the choir room—we always have an extra chair. Remember when you sing for church you pray twice. And the Lord says make a joyful noise!

**MARCH 1st-29th**

### PARISH DINNER

**6:00-7:00 PM | Perry Hall**

Come have dinner with us! We'll be serving our Parish Dinner in the Perry Hall from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Visit our website to RSVP see who's cooking!

### LENTEN SERIES: THE PASSION NARRATIVES OF JESUS CHRIST

**7:00 PM | The Great Hall or via Zoom**

Following the Parish Dinner, join the Rev. Gray Hodsdon in the Great Hall or on Zoom for a special Lenten Series discussing the accounts of the Passion narratives of Jesus Christ.

# Happening at St. James

## IN OUR PRAYERS:

Betsy Bede, Randy Coupland,  
Patty Cullen, Tom Dodson,  
Genie Gretz, Martha James,  
Mike Marr, Deb Morgan,  
Chris Say, Kathy Stovall,  
Perry Van Dyke



## LIVING WELL DURING LENT

Join our parish in reading through our Advent devotional, "Living Well Through Advent." Copies are available now in the Church Office or the Great Hall on Sunday mornings? Have questions about the Living Well series? Reach out to The Rev. Cheryl Brainard at [cheryl@stjamesp.org](mailto:cheryl@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](mailto: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 with gather for a time of prayer and fellowship. If you would like a direct link sent to your email each morning, please reach out to [communications@stjamesp.org](mailto:communications@stjamesp.org)

## WEEKDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY: LENT

Wednesdays in March | 11:00 AM | Graham Parlor or Zoom

Join us for a special Lenten series on Philippians led by Susan Ingle! Paul founded the church in Philippi and it held a special place in his heart. This 5-week study will feature an introduction to the Philippian church, and the following sessions will focus on one of the 4 chapters that make up the letter. The format of the study will be lecture/discussion. Please join us for this journey through one of Paul's most beloved epistles.

## HOSPITALITY AT HOME RETURNS!

Sunday, March 19 | 4:00-6:00 PM | The Hartman Home

The St. James Breadbreakers' are hosting the first Hospitality at Home of 2023 in March! Make plans to bring a dish. RSVP online.

## FULL COURT FELLOWSHIP BEGINS!

Sunday, March 19th | 7:15 PM | Perry Hall

Men of the parish are invited to join our High School boys for pick-up basketball games on Sunday evenings at 7:15 p.m. following Youth Group. Have questions about this offering? Please reach out to Mark Bartholet at [mark.bartholet@gmail.com](mailto:mark.bartholet@gmail.com).

## RACIAL HEALING GROUP MEETING

Wednesday, March 22 | 5:00 PM | Graham Parlor

The Committee on Racial Unity will meet on Wednesday, March 22nd in the Graham Parlor. Please join us if you are interested in learning more about the work of this committee at St. James Parish. Please consider joining us in this important ministry.

## QUIET REFLECTION RETURNS

Saturday, April 1 | 7:30 - 8:30 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel

If your spirit longs for peace and rest, join us at Mt. Lebanon Chapel for a time of quiet and refreshment from 7:30-8:30 AM. You are welcome to come for as much or as little of the hour as you wish. There will be interludes of quiet piano music during the hour. Some poems and prayers will be provided should you wish to have something to read in the silence, or bring your own reading material. ALL ARE WELCOME!

## MLC CLEAN UP DAY

Saturday, April 1 | 9:00 - 11:00 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel

Come help us prepare the Mt. Lebanon Chapel Grounds for our spring services. There will be activities for everyone of all abilities.

## BREADBREAKERS AND BASEBALL

Sunday, April 2 | 1:00 PM | UNCW

Join the St. James Breadbreakers for the UNCW vs. NC A&T Baseball Game. The game starts at 1:00 p.m. Visit our website to learn more and RSVP.



# Outreach & Community

## OUTREACH SPOTLIGHT: EDEN VILLAGE

Eden Village of Wilmington is building a community for those who are chronically homeless and disabled. While they are still in the construction phase of building 31, 500 square foot tiny homes, 17 are in the final stages and will be filled within the next few months. All 31 tiny homes have residents eagerly waiting to fill them.

Eden Village was started in Springfield, MO by David and Linda Brown. Both work in the medical field and saw a desperate need for healthcare in the homeless population, specifically in the disabled community. Their solution was to create Eden Village. Tom and Kim Dalton brought Eden Village to Wilmington. Both are also in the medical field, and after working on a housing project in Kenya on a mission, they came home with a drive to help their community. This is when they discovered what was being done in Springfield. Eden Village of Wilmington was then started in February 2020.

The goal of Eden Village is to create a community for those who are chronically unhomed, as Julie, the community coordinator said, "homelessness can be lonely, we don't want our friends to feel lonely." Within this community, individuals will have their own tiny home that is permanent, costing \$300/month. It is a gated development, with cameras on site and fingerprint entry into the community.

Eden Village is not a part of the Help Hub. Therefore, in order to build this community that is completely run by volunteers (alongside two paid employees) all skill sets are needed! Eden Villages strives to meet people where they are, meaning whatever your talents and expertise are, a friend at Eden Village could benefit from it. Julie made an important point when talking about volunteers, "we really want the community to change how people see homelessness in Wilmington. We can learn as much from our friends experiencing homelessness as we can give to them."

There are currently 100-125 unhomed folk in Wilmington who meet Eden Village's criteria. Because of that, they are looking for land for two more Eden Villages, plus land to build a temporary campground that has an overnight shelter for those who either aren't ready for Eden Village or don't fully fit their criteria.

To learn more about Eden Village, and their mission to build a community for those who are disabled and unhomed, please visit their website at [edenvillagewilmington.org](http://edenvillagewilmington.org) or call Julie at 910-200-7571.

## MoM: GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER

*Tuesday, April 4th & 18th, 2023, 4:30 PM*

The MoM Squad has agreed to serve meals to the homeless on the first and third Tuesday of each month. We are covered for March, but need volunteers for April. Please let us know if you can serve on either April 4th or 18th. Shifts run from 4:30 PM to about 7 PM. The guys who have already done this found it to be a very simple, yet highly rewarding, experience. If you can stand for 45 minutes, you can do this! Reach out to Brian McMerty to volunteer! ([bmcsmerty@arris.partners](mailto:bmcsmerty@arris.partners))

## SECOND SATURDAYS

*Saturday, March 11, 2023*

St. James Outreach invites you to join us for the 2023 Second Saturday Cleanups with Cape Fear River Watch. Our next clean up will be on March 11, 2023 at 9:00 am. A location will be shared closer to the date-of. You can sign up on CFRW's website or contact parishioner David Joyner for more information ([davidbilljoyner@gmail.com](mailto:davidbilljoyner@gmail.com)).



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## 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
- Altar Guild
- Sunday School Teacher
- Acolytes/Crucifers
- Ushers
- Office Volunteer Ministry
- Greeters
- Wedding Guild
- Parish Shop
- PenPals
- Chalice/LEM
- St. James Choir

# Youth Opportunities

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## STARBUCKS HS BIBLE STUDY

**Wednesdays | 7:00 AM | 16th St. Starbucks**  
The Starbucks Bible Study is a favorite. We've consistently had an average of 25 participants each week. All St. James High School 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](mailto:Cookie@stjamesp.org).

## SUNDAY MORNINGS: JUBI-LATTE ROUNDTABLE

**Sundays | 10:10 AM | Cookie's Office**

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

## GUARDIAN ANGEL PRAYER EXPERIENCE

The Guardian Angel Prayer Experience is underway! "Guardian Angels" are asked to save the date! The Guardian Angel Prayer Experience will conclude on Palm Sunday, April 2nd at a special gathering with our "angels" and our youth. If you have questions, reach out to Cookie at [Cookie@stjamesp.org](mailto:Cookie@stjamesp.org)

## EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

- Holy Land Pilgrimage - Apr. 21- May 4
- Youth Sunday- May 14
- Silent Auction- May 14-17
- Glory Ridge Mission Experience - June 11-17
- Quito Mission Trip - July 12-21
- Vacation Bible School - Come volunteer! July 31-August 3

## SHOP'N' BUNNY HOP!

**Sunday, March 12 | 5:00 PM | Walmart & IHOP**

The St. James Youth are out and shopping for Easter Baskets for Migrant Farmworker's Children in Newton Grove. After shopping is done, we'll enjoy a time of pancakes, playfulness, and prayer at the IHOP. If you're interested in participating and have questions, reach out to Cookie at [Cookie@stjamesp.org](mailto:Cookie@stjamesp.org)

## YOUTH GROUP - WATCH THE CHOSEN

**Sunday, Mar. 19th | 5:00-7:00 PM | Youth Room & Perry Hall**

Sunday nights are for our Youth! After all the day's activities are done, Youth Group provides the perfect time to recenter on Christ and recharge with friends for the week ahead. The 19th, we'll be watching *The Chosen*.

## BUILDING BASKETS

**Sunday, March 26 | 5:00 PM | Youth Room**

Each year, our St. James Youth Group takes on a special project to help make sure children of migrant farmworkers receive a little something special on Easter Sunday. 6th-12th Graders are invited to come join us in the Youth Room from 5:00-7:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 26th as we assemble Easter Baskets for the Episcopal Farmworker Ministry! If you're interested in participating and have questions, reach out to Cookie at [Cookie@stjamesp.org](mailto:Cookie@stjamesp.org)

## THANK YOU~ SHROVE TUESDAY

A huge thank you to Cookie, Wes, John B., Jane, Billie, and our St. James Youth for another wonderful Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Bingo night. At the end of the night everyone left with full bellies, a small prize, and a smile on their faces. We truly appreciate the love and time that goes into making such a memorable evening.





## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SUMMER 2023

Save the date! Our 2023 St. James Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 31-August 3rd. If you would like to help plan, organize, or donate to this year's VBS, please reach out to Ansley Trask at [christianinformation@stjamesp.org](mailto:christianinformation@stjamesp.org)!

We'll be sharing more information about how to register and sign up to volunteer as we get closer to the summer!



## CHILDREN'S CHAPEL SHEPHERDS

Looking for a fun way to engage with Sunday mornings? Consider joining our Children's Chapel shepherds. To help safely direct our little ones to and in Children's Chapel on Sunday mornings, we're in need of some additional adult hands to assist our Clergy and Sunday School teachers as they lead the Chapel. These special shepherds are so important to our Children's Ministries. Visit our website to sign up! [stjamesp.org/childrens-chapel/](http://stjamesp.org/childrens-chapel/)

## BUSY BAG MINISTRY

Did you know that we have special Sunday morning activity bags available for those who get the wiggles or need something to do with their hands? You can find our Busy Bags in the transept entrance each Sunday. If you would like to donate to the Busy Bag ministry, please reach out to Ansley Trask at [christianinformation@stjamesp.org](mailto:christianinformation@stjamesp.org).

## FAMILY FUN EMAIL LIST

Did you know we have a special email list for families with kids? Email Erin Becker at [communications@stjamesp.org](mailto:communications@stjamesp.org) to have your contact information added today!

## HOLY WEEK AT ST. JAMES

### APRIL 2 - PALM SUNDAY

- 8:00 AM - Rite I
- 10:30 AM - Rite II & Children's Choir Presentation
- 1:00 PM - Breadbreakers' Baseball Outing
- 5:00 PM - Guardian Angel Celebration

### APRIL 3 - MONDAY

- 8:00 AM - Morning Prayer on Zoom
- 12:10 PM - Holy Eucharist
- 5:00 PM - Living Well in the Midst of Grief

### APRIL 4 - TUESDAY

- 8:00 AM - Morning Prayer on Zoom
- 12:10 PM - Holy Eucharist

### APRIL 5 - WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 AM - Starbucks HS Bible Study
- 8:00 AM - Morning Prayer on Zoom
- 12:10 PM - Holy Eucharist

### APRIL 6 - MAUNDY THURSDAY

- 8:00 AM - Morning Prayer on Zoom
- 7:00 PM - Maundy Thursday Service at St. James

### APRIL 7 - GOOD FRIDAY

- 8:00 AM - Morning Prayer on Zoom
- 12:00 PM - Stations of the Cross and Good Friday Liturgy at Mt. Lebanon Chapel

### APRIL 8 - HOLY SATURDAY

- 8:00 PM - The Great Vigil of Easter at St. James

### APRIL 9 - EASTER DAY

- 6:30 AM - Tower Service
- 8:00 AM - Rite I
- 9:00 AM - Rite II
- 10:15 AM - Parish Celebration on the Lawn
- 11:15 AM - Rite II



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Junior Warden **Alex Murchison**

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