

From St. James' With Love

Corner of Lake and Main
P.O. Box 249 Hammondsport, New York 14840
March-April 2019

St James Vision Statement: God asks us to make His love visible in our lives and community. . . . let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth. (1 John 3:18)

From the Rector's Corner

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy Name. Ps 103:1

Dear Friends in Christ,

Throughout the season of Epiphany from the beginning of January until Lent, we have explored the many ways that Jesus and God manifest in the world. From the heavens filled with starlight and the angels announcing Jesus' birth to the shepherds in the field, to the Star leading the wise men. From Jesus baptism to the Transfiguration, we are called again and again to witness the mighty and wonderful deeds that our Creator and Savior have done on our behalf. Yet it seems that it might be hard at times to remember all that has been done for us. We sometimes forget to give thanks, or fail to take some time away to pray.

On Sunday we will baptize and welcome the newest member into the household of God, and later that day the Youth Group will explore the meaning of Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday, which seems to encompass so much of the gospel life. We walk with Jesus through his trials in the wilderness which prepare him for the trials at the end of his ministry.

How do you prepare for the season of Lent? What is it you want to learn this season? How do you want to change or amend your life? The above Psalm is read on Ash Wednesday, which can seem such a somber occasion, and is also joy-filled in the way we continue to recall the goodness of the LORD at all times and in all places.

I invite you to select a Lenten Practice, which might include giving up chocolate or giving up judgment. It also might include taking on a new practice. We will have the usual mid-week Community Lenten service with lunch, and will also explore Jesus' Last week at the Lenten Study on Thursday nights. You might be tempted to join the book group on Monday nights which begins March 11th when we jump into "The Way of the Pilgrim," translated by Nina A. Tumanova and then follow up with "Seeking God: The Way of Benedict" by Esther de Waal. All the books explore our life with Christ and invite us into a deeper relationship of prayer and meditation. You might come to the Thursday healing Eucharist for a week or two or try the Service of Reconciliation which will be offered Holy Week.

We are so blessed to be part of the St James community which shows forth the light of Christ in all times and in all seasons. Let's take this time to deepen that connect so that we might more fully offer that light unto the world.

May the light of Christ be with you,
The Very Rev Lynne +

St James Services

Ash Wednesday through Easter

Wednesday, March 6th at 12:00 Ash Wed. with imposition of ashes at St James Episcopal
Pastor Beth Kottemann speaking, luncheon to follow

Wednesday, March 6th at 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday with imposition of Ashes and Eucharist

Wednesday, March 27th at 12:00 Community Lenten Service and luncheon with Pastor Edwin speaking.

Sunday, April 14th at 9:00 a.m. The Sunday of Passion: Palm Sunday

Maundy Thursday, April 18th at 7:00 p.m. we will observe the solemn service of Maundy Thursday with reading of Scripture, hand washing, Communion, and the Stripping of the Altar, ending the service in silence and darkness.

Friday April 19th at 11:00 Reading of the Passion Gospel; The Solemn Collects, and administration of Reserved Sacrament

Friday, April 19th at 12:00 Stations of the Cross at St James

Sunday, April 21st at 6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise service at the lake shore 6:30 am Breakfast following at HUMC

Sunday April 21st at 9:00 a.m. Festive Eucharist of Easter Sunday

Weekdays in Lent

At St. James we observe Lent in a variety of ways, and we invite you to give one or two of these weekday practices a try as you live into this holy season.

Monday Bible Study

Bible Study at 4:00 in the Parish Hall, where we are reading through the Letter to the Romans. All are welcome to join as we read through the text and then have a time of thoughts, questions, and discussions around the Scripture.

Lenten Book Group Mondays at 6:30

We will complete the book we are reading, "God's Joyful Surprise" on the first Monday of Lent, March 11th and then jump into "The Way of the Pilgrim," translated by Nina A. Tumanova and then jump into Seeking God: The Way of Benedict by Esther de Waal. All the books explore our life with Christ and invite us into a deeper relationship of prayer and meditation. Please join us every Monday at 6:30. It's helpful to read the book – we usually read one or two chapters a week, but no prior knowledge is necessary.

Wednesday Noonday service with Lunch

March 7	Ash Wed. St James Episcopal hosting, Pastor Beth speaking.
March 13	Hammondsport Presbyterian hosting, Deacon Dave speaking
March 20	St Gabriel's hosting, Rev. Lynne speaking
March 27	St James hosting, Pastor Edwin speaking
April 3	United Methodist Church hosting, Pastor Nate speaking
April 10	St. Gabriel's hosting, Pastor Paul speaking

Lenten Study-The Last Week
Thursdays a 7:00pm

Throughout Lent this year we will read the Scripture lessons assigned for Holy Week and explore the importance of each story. We will have time to engage the Scripture, enter into discussion, and ask questions, and imagine ourselves walking with Jesus in the final week of his earthly life. Evenings will end with the night prayer Compline. No prior knowledge of Scripture needed-just your willingness to walk with Jesus. Mark your calendars now to come to any or all of the Lenten Study groups.

Every Thursday 12:00 – 12:30

Thursdays at 12:00 we celebrate the Holy Eucharist with an opportunity for Anointing. During the church year we learn about the Holy Women and Holy Men of faith. During Lent we focus on the Scripture and how it informs our Lenten practices and our daily lives.

Daily Lenten Meditation

We are encouraged during the Ash Wednesday service, “to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God’s holy Word.” This year I would encourage you to obtain the booklet: Lenten Meditations 2019 by Episcopal Relief and Development in the back of the Church, or you can sign up for an daily email Lenten Meditation at www.episcopalrelief.org/Lent. This booklet contains a portion of Scripture or a quote, followed by a short story, and a prayer. The daily readings begin Ash Wednesday and continue through Easter Saturday.

***Service of Reconciliation (formerly known as Confession)
Holy Week – by appointment***

It is said in the Episcopal Church, “all may, not must, some should,” when it comes to the matter of making a private confession of sins to a priest. There are two forms available in the Book of Common Prayer: the traditional Form One on page 447 and Form two on page 449 with an explanation of the Rite on page 446. Please contact Rev Lynne if you wish to discuss this Rite, or if you wish to schedule a time during Holy Week to receive this Rite.

Prayer List

Suzy and Jim, Mary Beth, Micheal S., Hollie, Dawn, Muriel, Charlie, Heather, Renee, Chanowa, Joe, Donna, Anne, Nancy, Eva Marie, Alexander, Sandra, James R., Blair, Owen, Miles, John, Joan, Lindsey, Doug, Jackie, Michelle, the Food Pantry, those suffering from addiction, and those in the military.

The Hammondsport Youth Group

Sunday, March 3rd from 5:30-7:15 p.m. at St James

Sunday, April 7th from 5:30 – 7:15 p.m at the United Methodist Church

Sunday, May 19th – Youth Group Party – time and location TBD

All youth in 7th through 12th grade are welcome to join the Hammondsport Youth Group. Each time we meet we play a few games, enjoy supper, sing some songs, and hear an inspirational message. See Karen if you would like to help with dinner, or come by to give some of your time to the youth of St James and the Hammondsport Community.

Save the Date ! St James Smorgasbord Dinner

Saturday, May 18th from 4:00 to 6:30

Mark your calendars now and keep your eyes open for more information and the opportunity to volunteer, or to have one of the best dinners you have ever had with family and friends.

Village Wide Yard Sale, Saturday June 1st, 8:00 – 2:00

Calling All Bakers, Crafters, and People Who Have Too Much Stuff

The Hammondsport Village Wide Yard Sale Event is coming up June 1st. As people flock to Hammondsport St. James wants to participate to bring attention to the work of Episcopal Relief and Development: Healing a Hurting World. This organization is at work around the world helping to meet global needs in the areas of hunger, disease, and disasters. This vital charity is rated 4 Stars by Charity Navigator.

Bakers: We are looking for baked goods from those of you who are baking inclined or talented. Smaller items that are easy to carry such as cookies, cupcakes, sweet rolls, and small cakes or small loaves of bread would be best. We will have coffee/water and a few tables so people can take their yard sale snack break here.

Crafters: Think if there is anything that you could make to sell. Even a few items, combined with what others make and with the bake and white elephant sale can make a big difference.

White Elephant owners: This is not a replacement for our August rummage sale. We do not want clothes or furniture or other large items. We are looking for items such as kitchen ware, decorating items. small household items. We do not have long term storage room at the church, so you would need to hang on to them till approximately a week before the sale.

As we get closer to the date of this event, sign-up sheets will be put up, but this is just a heads up to get you thinking what would be the best way you could contribute and hopefully start work on any crafts you could make.

Taylor Center and Brookdale

Several of us go to The Taylor Center the third Wednesday of the month and Brookdale on Creekside Drive in Painted Post to visit Ruth Clarke the fourth Thursday. The residents are delighted to listen or sing along with their favorite hymns, hear the Scripture, hear a brief message, and receive reserved Sacrament. Please let Rev Lynne know if you would be interested in becoming a Lay Eucharistic visitor to help serve at these services.

Facebook Page

In case you haven't noticed St James has a Facebook page known as St James Hammondsport. "Like" us to see the latest pictures and reminders of upcoming events. We continue to maintain the webpage that also has photos as well as newsletters, history, calendar, etc.

Upcoming Calendar

- March 1 – First Friday Fellowship at 7:00 p.m. – Bethel Assembly of God, Bath NY
- March 3 – Baptism & Youth Group at St James 5:30 – 7:15 p.m.
- March 4 – No Book Group tonight - Southeast District Meeting at 6:00 at St Mark's Penn Yan
- March 6th Ash Wednesday – noon at St James with Luncheon to follow
 - 7:00 p.m. at St James, Imposition of Ashes and Communion
- March 7th – 9:30 Southeast District Clergy meeting at St Thomas, Bath
 - 12:00 Eucharist with Anointing
 - 7:00 Lenten Study
- March 9th – Parish Leadership Meeting in Pittsford 8:30 – 12:00
- March 11th – 4:00 Bible Study and 6:30 Book Group
- March 13th – 12:00 Presbyterian Church, Dcn. Dave speaking, Luncheon to follow
 - 2:45 Taylor Center Service
 - 7:00 Vestry Meeting
- March 18th – 4:00 Bible Study and 6:30 Book Group
- March 20th – 12:00 St Gabriel's Church, Rev Lynne speaking, Luncheon to follow
- March 21st— Women's Breakfast at Stephanie's
- March 25th – 4:00 Bible Study and 6:30 Book Group
- March 27th – 12:00 St James Church, Pastor Edwin speaking, Luncheon to follow
- March 28th – 12:00 Eucharist with Anointing
 - 2:30 Brookdale
 - 7:00 Lenten Study
- April 1st (no joke) – 4:00 Bible Study and 6:30 Book Group
- April 3rd – 12:00 United Methodist Church, Pastor Nate speaking, Luncheon to follow
- April 4th – 9:30 Southeast District Clergy Meeting at Christ Church Corning
 - 12:00 Eucharist with Anointing
 - 7:00 Lenten Study
- April 5th – 7:00 p.m. First Friday Fellowship at Bath First Presbyterian
- April 7th - 5:30 – 7:15 Youth Group at the United Methodist Church
- April 8th – 4:00 Bible Study and 6:30 Book Group
- April 10th – 12:00 St Gabriel's Church, Pastor Paul speaking, Luncheon to follow
 - 7:00 Vestry Meeting
- April 11th – 12:00 Eucharist with Anointing
 - 7:00 Lenten Study
- April 13th – 11:00 Chrism Mass for all Lay and Ordained at St Peter's in Henrietta
- April 14th – Palm Sunday
- April 15th – 4:00 Bible Study and 6:30 Book Group
- April 17th – 2:45 Taylor Center Service

- April 18th – 9:30 Women’s Breakfast at Kozy Korner in Bradford
 - 7:00 Maundy Thursday Service
- April 19th – 11:00 Service of Reserved Sacrament
 - 12:00 Stations of the Cross
- April 21st – 6:30 Head of the Lake Easter Service
 - 9:00 Festive Easter Eucharist
- April 22nd – Easter Monday – Office Closed and no Bible or Book Group
- April 25th – 12:00 Eucharist with Anointing
 - 2:30 Brookdale
- April 26-27th – College for Congregational Development

LAY SCHEDULE March/April 2019

Date	Chalice	Acolyte	Readers	Ushers	Sunday School
March 3	J. Grillo	L. Nichiporuk	S. Pulver J. Grillo	L. Grillo M. Dowdle	N. Folts
March 10	C. VanHouten	J. Grillo	J. Grillo C. VanHouten	P. Forenz N. Forenz	J. Derr
March 17	L. Nichiporuk	C. VanHouten	A. Edmister L. Graulich	M. Piersons J. Piersons	D. Noteware
March 24	N. Forenz	L. Nichiporuk	M. Samson S. Pulver	M. Dowdle N. Folts	E. Kowulich-Covel
March 31	C. Skinner	N. Forenz	K. Packard L. Graulich	M. Piersons J. Piersons	L. Nichiporuk
April 7	J. Grillo	L. Nichiporuk	S. Pulver K. Packard	P. Forenz N. Forenz	K. Derr
April 14 Palm Sunday	L. Nichiporuk	J. Grillo	K. Packard K. Derr	L. Grillo M. Dowdle	J. Rogerson
April 18 Maundy Thursday	C. Skinner	C. VanHouten	C. Skinner C. VanHouten		
April 19 Good Friday	N. Forenz				
April 21 Easter Sunday	J. Grillo	C. Skinner	A. Edmister J. Grillo	L. Grillo N. Folts	D. Noteware
April 28	L. Nichiporuk	J. Grillo	S. Pulver M. Samson	J. Skinner C. Skinner	J. Derr

