

From St. James' With Love

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March-April 2020 Newsletter

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

For this is what the Lord has commanded us, "I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth. Acts 13:47

Maybe you sigh when you see this on this bulletin insert, and maybe you come alive with anticipation: "You are invited to participate in the Parish Project! on Evangelism". Evangelism (notice the angel hovering in the center of the word) literally means "bringer of good news or messenger." Think of the angel Gabriel, bringing good tidings to Mary, or the host of angels on Christmas Eve calling the shepherds to the manger to see the newborn King. Hopefully we bring good news and messages of good tidings to our neighbors and friends every time we see them. See – nothing scary about the word itself. So how do we learn to bring the good news of St James without standing on a soap box or beating people over the head?

Karen Derr and Rev Lynne have been participating in the College for Congregational Development over the last year and entered year two this weekend. Participation in the "College" means that we, with your help, will complete two projects by November 2020.

Since December we have been asking you to try new and different things, and so far we have been overwhelmed by your participation; thank you! We continue to believe that your participation will not only help us complete the assignments but will continue to transform St James and each of us into a community that is even more welcoming than we already are! If that is even possible!

Sunday, March 22 during Coffee Hour the Vestry invites you to enjoy a Soup and Bread luncheon while learn to create an Elevator Speech using all the gifts and talents you have displayed throughout the last few months: writing on the Newsprint with Gather, Transform, and Send; Coffee Hour Questions; Interviews, and the many little ways you have witnessed and shown the ways Jesus shows up and walks with you through photos and writing you mountaintop experiences on an index card. This is neither as intimidating, or as difficult as it sounds. Questions? Show up and ask!

Rev Lynne +

Second Sunday Movies!

March 8th 11:00 in the Undercroft

Let's go to the movies! We have a movie license for a year and are showing family-oriented movies at 5:00 on 4th FRIDAYS and now we be adding Second SUNDAY movies with a Christian Theme. Some are based on true stories, and all offer a solid message of faith and hope. Please join together, bring a light lunch, and let's enjoy a movie together! [Sadly, the licensing agreement does not allow us to advertise the title.]

Youth Group – March 8th 5:30 – 7:15

Everything is Awesome!

Students in 7th through 12th Grade will meet at St James for our Lego night. We'll enjoy Taco Tuesday on Sunday, sing songs, create Lego legends, and have small group discussion. Let the youth of our Community know it is going to be an Awesome night!

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 just started the Book of Psalms. Beginners to experts are invited to participate. All are welcome to join as we read through the text and then have a time of thoughts, questions, and discussions around the Scripture.

Monday Night Lenten/Easter Education

On Monday Nights at 7:00 p.m. beginning March 9th "The Way of Love" A nine-part small group curriculum to explore and learn Jesus-centered practices. "The Way of Love is a way of life. More than a program or curriculum, it is an intention commitment to a set of practices. It's a commitment to follow Jesus: Turn, Learn, Pray, Worship, Bless, Go, Rest."

Tuesday Mornings at 7:00 a.m.

We have traditional spoken Morning Prayer at 7:00, and the Sanctuary is open from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. as a time of prayer and reflection.

Wednesday mornings at 10:00

This Women's Bible Study may be the one you have been waiting for even if you have NEVER studied the Bible before! We keep it simple and explore the Gospel of Matthew, which is the Gospel we will use throughout Year A (from Advent 1 through Christ the King Sunday in November). Each week we learn a little, read a little, discuss a little, pray a little, and explore some of the themes of this Gospel, as well as having the opportunity to read the bits we never hear on Sundays. We learn together, no one has all the answers, and we expect that the Holy Spirit will guide us in some new and interesting ways. Questions? Ask Rev Lynne.

Wednesday Noonday service with Lunch

Wednesday, March 4 at the Presbyterian Church at noon, Pastor Edwin Jaqua speaking.

Wednesday, March 11 at the United Methodist Church at noon; Pastor Beth Kottemann speaking

Wednesday, March 18 at St James at noon; Pastor Nate Cooper speaking

Wednesday, March 25 at the United Methodist Church at noon; Rev Lynne Sharp speaking

Wednesday, April 1 at St Gabriel's at noon; Pastor Barre Butts speaking

Eucharist with Anointing ***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 Meditations

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."

Episcopal Relief and Development has a daily email meditation (simply google and sign up). The meditation includes 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.

Sue Pietrzak announced last Sunday that she is inviting others to join her in a book “40-day Sugar Fast” by Wendy Speake (available on Amazon).

I am also inviting you to another practice based on the book, “Christ Walk: A 40-Day Spiritual Fitness Program,” by Anna Fitch Courie (available on Amazon). Let me know if you are interested in joining the St James Facebook Christ Walk group, or would like to meet once a week to walk and pray.

The Presiding Bishop invites us to “Turn and Pray on Behalf of our Nation,” by googling Lent 2020: A Call to Prayer, Fasting and Repentance Leading to Action.

#LiveLent: Care for God’s Creation and the 40 daily mediations can be emailed to you by signing up through the Church of England Website (or google #LiveLent 2020)

The Sanctuary is Open for Prayer, Silence, Reading . . .

Join us on Sunday through Thursday the schedule is on the sandwich board on the lawn. You can stay for 10 minutes or two hours.

Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship and Sunday School
1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Sanctuary Open

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Tuesday: 6:00 – 8:00 a.m. Sanctuary Open
7:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

Wednesday: 11:00 – 1:00 Sanctuary Open
Knitters and Crafter’s welcome

Thursday: 11:30 – 1:30 p.m. Sanctuary Open
12:00 Healing Eucharist

Friday: 1st 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Friday Fellowship (location TBD)
2nd 7:00 – 9:00 p.m Game Night – Free!
3rd 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Sanctuary Open
4th 5:00 – 7:00 Family Movie Night – Free!
BYO Sack Supper

***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 is you wish to discuss this Rite, or if you wish to schedule a time during Holy Week to receive this Rite.

**St James Services
Lent through Easter**

Maundy Thursday, April 9 at St James 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 10 at St James at 11:00 Reading of the Passion Gospel; The Solemn Collects, and administration of Reserved Sacrament; and at 12:00 Stations of the Cross at St James

Sunday, April 12 Easter Sunrise 6:30 am at Head of the Lake and breakfast following at HUMC

Sunday, April 12 Festive Eucharist at St James 9:00

Family Game Night & Movie Nights
Family Game night 2nd Friday 7:00 – 9:00

Family Movie Night 4th Friday from 5:00 – 7:00 (bring a sack supper)

St James will host a Family Game Night on the second Friday of every month from 7:00 – 9:00, and a Family Movie Night on the 4th Friday from 5:00 – 7:00 (bring a sack supper). There will be some snacks and drinks, and a wide variety of games for all ages groups, or bring your favorite game. All children under age 12 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Baptism Easter Morning and Confirmation Preparation

We will celebrate Holy Baptism on Easter morning. Let Rev Lynne know if you know an infant, child, youth, or adult who would like to receive the Sacrament of Baptism this Easter Morning at 9:00. The Bishop's Visitation is September 13th and Bishop Singh will administer the Rite of Confirmation, Reaffirmation, Reception for youth over the age of 14 through adulthood. If you are interested in any of the Rites, please let Rev Lynne know as there will be a program (classes) to prepare for the Rite.

Large Print and Hearing Assistance

A generous donor has recently purchased additional copies of the Large Print Book of Common Prayer. Once they arrive, please feel free to put one in the pew of your choosing. There are also black binders on the back pew with large print bulletin, hymns and readings – just ask an Usher to point them out. We are also working on Hearing Assistance Devices that use headphones to allow you to hear the service directly through the sound system. We will let you know what that project is complete. St James continues to seek ways to make our Sanctuary and the Service welcoming. Please let Rev Lynne or any Vestry Member know if there are other things we can do.

LOOKING AHEAD

**Episcopal Evangelism 101
Regional Training Event**

May 8-9, 2020 at St Thomas' Episcopal Church in Bath

"This is a not-so-basic training designed to introduce a fresh, humble, effective, and Episcopal approach to the spiritual practice of Evangelism. This workshop is for anyone who wants to learn how to discuss faith appropriately and respectfully with people who don't attend church. This training will be led by Jerusalem Greer, The Episcopal Church's Staff Officer for Evangelism and other members of the Episcopal Evangelism Team". Cost for Saturday only is \$26.03 only including meals. Let Rev Lynne or Karen know if you are interested in attending.

**Youth Group & Walk for Water
Saturday, May 16th time TBD**

"Inspired by the burden that millions of women and children bear every day walking an average of 3.5 miles to collect water that's not safe, we **Walk for Water** to raise awareness of the global water crisis and funds that save lives." This will be the final Youth Group event of the year - so the Youth will enjoy a meal, a message, and then we walk! EVERYONE is invited to Walk with the Youth, or to support them with prayers and a Pledge.

Save the Date ! St James Smorgasbord Dinner

Saturday, May 16th from 4:00 to 6:00

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.

Rogation Procession

formerly known as "Beating the Bounds"

Wednesday, May 20th at 6:30 p.m.

Mark your calendar and save the date, this is an opportunity you won't want to miss. More information to follow . . . in a nutshell, we are going to circumambulate (walk or drive) around Hammondspport praying for the people, government, businesses, agriculture, water, etc. This is a tradition more than 1500 years old. Rogation comes from the Latin *rogatio* which means "asking."

Thy Kingdom Come

Ascension Day through Pentecost (May 20-31)

"In praying 'Thy Kingdom Come' we all commit to playing our part in the renewal of the nations and the transformation of communities." Archbishop Justin Welby. Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer initiative started by the Anglican Church and Pete Grieg (Red Moon Rising) in May 2016 and last year had Christians from 172 countries and 65 denominations praying "Thy Kingdom Come." More information will be in the May-June newsletter.

Village Wide Yard Sale, Friday June 6th & Saturday June 7th

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

The Hammondspport Village Wide Yard Sale Event is coming up June 7th and 8th and Joan Rogerson has agreed to coordinate our efforts in having the Church Open to the Community, selling yummy baked goods, offering our Crafty items, and selling those old White Elephant thingys hanging out in your basement or garage [or maybe your living room is aching for an update and you want to divest of some small tables and knick-knacks.] All proceeds will go to a designated Mission Project (TBD). Mark your calendars now, and start gathering your items for 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.

Prayer List

Steven, Alicia, Jennifer and family, Doug, Tammy S., Jerry, Phil, Wendell, James, Mike S., John, Amy, Lindsey, Hollie, Shawn, Curt, Jean F., Muriel, Charlie, Raymond, Janie, Rene, Heather, Eva, the Food Pantry, those suffering from addiction, and those in the military.

Upcoming Calendar

Sun, Mar 1	9:00 First Sunday of Lent with Eucharist; 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open
Mon, Mar 2	1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open; 4:00 Bible "Psalm 4, 5, 6"; 5:30 SE District Meeting
Tues, Mar 3	6:00 – 8:00 Sanctuary Open; 7:00 Morning Prayer
Wed, Mar 4	10:00 Women's Bible Study, 12:00 Lenten Service & Luncheon Presbyterian
Thurs, Mar 5	11:30 -1:30 Sanctuary Open; 12:00 Eucharist with Anointing
Fri, Mar 6	7:00 First Friday Fellowship at First Presbyterian Bath

Sun, Mar 8 "Spring Forward" (**change your clocks**) 9:00 Second Sunday of Lent with Eucharist; 11:00 Christian Movie in the Parish Hall, bring a sack lunch; 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open; 5:15 Youth Group at St James!

Mon, Mar 9 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open; 4:00 Bible "Psalm 7, 8, 9"; 7:00 The Way of Love

Tues, Mar 10 6:00 – 8:00 Sanctuary Open; 7:00 Morning Prayer

Wed, Mar 11 10:00 Women's Bible Study, 12:00 Lenten Service & Luncheon Methodist Church; 7:00 Vestry Meeting

Thurs, Mar 12 11:30 -1:30 Sanctuary Open; 12:00 Eucharist with Anointing

Fri, Mar 13 7:00 Game Night at St James

Sun, Mar 15 9:00 Third Sunday of Lent with Eucharist; 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open

Mon, Mar 16 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open; 4:00 Bible "Psalm 10, 11, 12"; 7:00 The Way of Love

Tues, Mar 17 6:00 – 8:00 Sanctuary Open; 7:00 Morning Prayer

Wed, Mar 18 10:00 Women's Bible Study, 12:00 Lenten Service & Luncheon St James 2:45 Taylor Center Service

Thurs, Mar 19 9:30 Women's Breakfast at Stephanie's in Bath; 11:30 -1:30 Sanctuary Open; 12:00 Eucharist with Anointing

Fri, Mar 20 7:00 -9:00 Sanctuary Open

Sun, Mar 22 9:00 Fourth Sunday of Lent with Eucharist; 10:30 Elevator Speech and Luncheon 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open

Mon, Mar 23 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open; 4:00 Bible "Psalm 13, 14, 15"; 7:00 The Way of Love

Tues, Mar 24 6:00 – 8:00 Sanctuary Open; 7:00 Morning Prayer

Wed, Mar 25 10:00 Women's Bible Study, 12:00 Lenten Service & Luncheon Methodist Church

Thurs, Mar 26 11:30 -1:30 Sanctuary Open; 12:00 Eucharist with Anointing; 2:30 Brookdale Service

Fri, Mar 27 5:00 – 7:00 Movie Night! Bring a sack supper

Sun, Mar 29 9:00 Fifth Sunday of Lent with Eucharist; 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open

Mon, Mar 30 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open; 4:00 Bible "Psalm 13, 14, 15"; 7:00 The Way of Love

Tues, Mar 31 6:00 – 8:00 Sanctuary Open; 7:00 Morning Prayer

Wed, Apr 1 10:00 Women's Bible Study, 12:00 Lenten Service & Luncheon St Gabriel's

Thurs, Apr 2 11:30 -1:30 Sanctuary Open; 12:00 Eucharist with Anointing

Fri, Apr 3 7:00 First Friday Fellowship location TBD

Sat, Apr 4 10 Chrism Mass at St Peter's in Henrietta, Clergy renew their Ordination Vows, new oil of baptism and oil of healing is blessed. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Sun, Apr 5 9:00 Palm Sunday; Sanctuary Clean Up!; 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open

Mon, Apr 6 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open; 4:00 Bible "Psalm 16, 17, 18"; 7:00 The Way of Love

Tues, Apr 7 6:00 – 8:00 Sanctuary Open; 7:00 Morning Prayer

Wed, Apr 8 10:00 Women's Bible Study, 11:00 – 1:00 Sanctuary Open; 7:00 Vestry Meeting

Thurs, Apr 9 11:30 -1:30 Sanctuary Open; 7:00 Maundy Thursday Service

Fri, Apr 10 11:00 Mass of the Presanctified; 12:00 Stations of the Cross; 7:00 – 9:00 Game Night

Sun, Apr 12 9:00 Easter Sunday with Baptisms; 11:00 Second Sunday Movie in Parish Hall; 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open

Mon, Apr 13 Easter Monday – Church and Office are Closed

Tues, Apr 14 6:00 – 8:00 Sanctuary Open; 7:00 Morning Prayer

Wed, Apr 15 10:00 Women's Bible Study, 11:00 – 1:00 Sanctuary Open; 2:45 Taylor Center

Thurs, Apr 16 9:30 Women's Breakfast at Stephanie's in Bath; 11:30 -1:30 Sanctuary Open; 12:00 Eucharist with Anointing

Fri, Apr 17 7:00 – 9:00 Sanctuary Open
 Sat, Apr 18 Diocesan Parish Leadership Meeting time and venue TBD
 Sun, Apr 19 9:00 Holy Eucharist; 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open; 5:15 Youth Group at HUMC
 Mon, Apr 20 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open; 4:00 Bible “Psalm 19, 20, 21”; 7:00 The Way of Love
 Tues, Apr 21 6:00 – 8:00 Sanctuary Open; 7:00 Morning Prayer
 Wed, Apr 22 10:00 Women’s Bible Study, 11:00 – 1:00 Sanctuary Open
 Thurs, Apr 23 11:30 -1:30 Sanctuary Open; 12:00 Eucharist with Anointing; 2:30 Brookdale
 Fri, Apr 24 7:00 – 9:00 Movie Night; Karen and Lynne to College for Congregation
 Development
 Sun, Apr 26 9:00 Holy Eucharist; 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open
 Mon, Apr 27 1:00-3:00 Sanctuary Open; 4:00 Bible “Psalm 22, 23, 24”; 7:00 The Way of Love
 Tues, Apr 28 6:00 – 8:00 Sanctuary Open; 7:00 Morning Prayer
 Wed, Apr 29 10:00 Women’s Bible Study, 11:00 – 1:00 Sanctuary Open
 Thurs, Apr 30 11:30 -1:30 Sanctuary Open; 12: Eucharist with Anointing

**LAY MINISTER’S SCHEDULE
 MARCH-APRIL 2020**

Date	Chalice	Acolyte	Readers	Ushers	Sunday School
3/1	J. Grillo	K. Derr	S. Pulver J. Grillo	L. Grillo M. Dowdle	N. Folts
3/8	L. Nichiporuk	M. Dowdle	M. Samson L. Graulich	N. Forenz P. Forenz	J. Derr
3/15	J. Grillo	J. Derr	A. Edmister K. Derr	J. Piersons M. Piersons	D. Noteware
3/22	N. Forenz	L. Nichiporuk	M. Samson S. Pulver	M. Dowdle N. Folts	K. Derr
3/29	L. Nichiporuk	N. Forenz	L. Graulich K. Packard	J. Piersons M. Piersons	J. Rogerson
4/5 Palm Sunday	L. Nichiporuk	J. Derr	K. Packard K. Derr	N. Folts M. Dowdle	D. Noteware
4/9 Maundy Thurs	C. Skinner	L. Nichiporuk	C. Skinner L. Nichiporuk		
4/10 Good Friday	N. Forenz				
4/12 Easter	J. Grillo	M. Dowdle	A. Edmister B. J. Grillo	L. Grillo N. Folts	J. Derr
4/19	L. Nichiporuk	J. Grillo	S. Pulver M. Samson	C. Skinner J. Skinner	D. Noteware
4/26	C. Skinner	J. Derr	L. Graulich K. Packard	J. Piersons M. Piersons	J. Rogerson