

From St. James' With Love
June 2024
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)**

**A heartwarming note
from
Charlie and Janetmarie**



**It is with much humility that I write this
thank you to our church family.**

**The outpouring of cards and prayers during my
hospitalization was very heart warming
and a big help in my recovery.**

**Thank You all for your warm thoughts and well
wishes.**

**Charlie Skinner
Janetmarie Skinner**

The Hammondsport Fire Department Honors

Charlie and Janetmarie Skinner



Charlie received a commendation for 50 years of dedicated service as a Fire Fighter



Janetmarie received a 20 year certificate for her dedicated service to the Fire Department

**Congratulations!!
To good and faithful servants**

Prayer List

The Forenz family, Bill T, Eleanor, William K, Nancy F, Lisa M, Freddie, Joyce, Ann F, Dustin K, Mike D, Connie C, Lindsey, Donna W, Richard Frey, Jillian, the Pratt family, Linda G, Jim G, Laverne & Patsy, Evelyn A, Rebecca H, Betty K, Ashlyn, Kimberly J, Rev. Gary, Audrey, Charlie S, Janetmarie S, Raymond S, Linda C, Chris C, Gail O, John R, John P, Ray K, God bless Richard, healing for Katie N, all those leading and participating in VBS, our brothers and sisters on Zoom, those who mourn, students and teachers, 1st responders, the Food Pantry, those suffering from addiction, those in the military, and St. James Vestry

Vestry Highlights from May 8th, 2024

- Mission committee requested and vestry approved \$1,000 for the Midwest Tornado Relief be sent to Matthew 25 Ministries.
- A subcommittee was formed to establish a policy for the use of St James by parishioners and non-parishioners.
- The Taylor Grant application needs to be submitted by the first part of June.
- Cost of purchasing baseballs/softballs will come out of the Evangelism Account.
- Fine Arts dinner set for 7 June, 2024 from 5:00 to 7pm.
- Baccalaureate will be June 14th at 6pm.
- The Italian Dinner will be September 28, 2024

St James Important Dates

- **May 31 & 1 June** Yard Sale.
- **3 June** 10 am Hammondsport Food Pantry meeting St. Gabriel.
- **6-8 June** Father Craig and Linda out of town. (Rowan's graduation)
- **7 June** Fine Art's Dinner time 5 to 7pm.
- **8 June** Bishop Lane's Farewell at St Thomas Church in Bath.
 - 1pm walk the Labyrinth
 - 2pm Service of thanksgiving followed by a light reception
- **10 June** 9am Mission meeting in the undercroft.
- **12 June** 6:30 pm Vestry meeting in the undercroft.
- **14 June** 6 pm Baccalaureate followed by an Ice Cream Social.
- **14 June** 4pm to 7pm calling hours for Patty Forenz at Bishop & DeSanto funeral home in Hammondsport.
- **15 June** 10:30 Patty Forenz funeral followed by a light luncheon.
- **16 June** Bishop Lane's visitation to St James.
- **20 June** Ladies breakfast 9am (Location TBD)
- **1-3 July** 9am-1:30pm Vacation Bible School at Methodist Church Hammondsport.
- **5 July** First Friday Fellowship 7PM at the First Presbyterian Church, Bath.

Please note, Patty Forenz funeral is June 15th at 10:30 am

First Friday Fellowship



The Next First Friday Fellowship will be held on **July 5, 2024 at 7PM** at Bath First Presbyterian Church. Come join us!!!



May 31-June 1

Spring is here and that means it is time for Spring Cleaning. Check your garages. Check your attics. Check your basements. We can turn your unwanted items into money for mission. You may drop them off at church the last week in May. We do not want clothes or shoes, but other items greatly appreciated.

The Sign-up sheet for baked goods to be sold during the Village yard sales is on the bulletin board in the Undercroft. We have individual containers and bags to sell things individually. We are seeking homemade cookies, cupcakes, brownies, muffins and cinnamon buns.

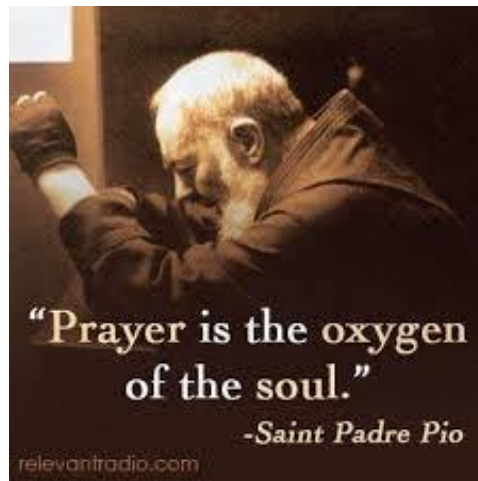
Contact Joan Rogerson for more information.

From the Mission Committee



We have a mission meeting scheduled for *Monday June 10th at 9 AM in the Undercroft*. Please bring for the month of June dish and laundry soap, shampoo and hygiene products.

Compline Service every Monday evening at 8:30 PM



We have Compline every Monday night at 8:30PM. A 10–12 minute service of prayer, Scripture, music, and much more. Zoom address is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83857418968>



Pentecost

June Lay Schedule

Date	Chalice	Acolyte	Reader	Ushers
6/2	Jim Grillo	Leah Nichiporuk	Rich Little	Cindy Zielinski Marilyn Dowdle
6/9	Leah Nichiporuk	Mary White	Sandy Young	Luanne Graulich
6/16	Mary White	Jim Grillo	Stella Pulver	Linda Hacker Jim Derr
6/23	Jim Grillo	Karen Derr	Linda Hacker	Marilyn Dowdle Linda Grillo
6/30	Karen Derr	Jim Grillo	Luanne Graulich	Donella Barney Nancy Folts

June Readings



Date	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading
6/2	1 Samuel 3: 1-20	Ps 139: 1-5, 12-17	2 Cor:4: 5-12
6/9	1 Samuel 8:4-11, (12-15), 16-20, (11:14-15)	Psalm 138	2 Cor: 4:13-5:1
6/16 Bishop Lane's Visitation	1 Samuel 15:34-16:13	Psalm 20	2 Cor: 5:6-10-17
6/23	1 Samuel 17: (1a, 4-11, 19-23) 32-49	Psalm 9:9-20	2 Cor: 6:1-13
6/30	2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27	Psalm 130	2 Cor 8:7-15



PRINT COOL FUN!

It was an absolute delight for me to be with all the St James members who volunteered to run the concession stand at the Hammondspport Little League opening day. It was confusing at times for me but Jim Grillo calmly cooked hamburgers, hotdogs and egg sandwiches with skill and ease. He is truly the master of the grill.

As Jim cooked, Donella received orders on the new Little League computer system. She mastered operating the system in no time at all.

Ellie, Donna, and Leah ran orders back and forth all day between the cash register and the grill. Thank You! A humble and vital job!!

I appreciated that everyone wore their bright red Saint James' T shirts while we served the Hammondspport community. It was loads of Fun!!!

The Pee Wee players were very cute. I noticed they had: hat's bigger than their heads, big shining eyes, and smiles that ran from ear to ear.

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

God Bless

Craig+



May 6, Highlights

Thank You for Your Support!

Client Numbers

Total households 39

Total Number of Clients 82

Children 19

New clients 1

Adults 41

Seniors 22

Next Meeting- Monday, June 3, 10 am

A Meditation from Father Craig's Spiritual Diary:

Oh God, your beauty arises like incense, swirling and twisting freely among your holy people. We are your breath of life, your free loving prayer for all creation. We are your deepest hope, and we are your gracious love. You created us to be the seed and flavor for your creation. We are your humble gift of God for the people of God. Oh, that we could love as you intended.

From the Book Hazelden Daily Meditations for counselors



Jill was an amateur photographer who had a darkroom in her basement. When her young son came down to play, Jill would say she'd be out in a few minutes. One day, though, the little boy announced that he'd open the darkroom door if his mom didn't come out. That would ruin the film, and Jill was up to her elbows in processing fluid, so she couldn't hold the door shut. She called to her son, who was afraid of the dark, "Don't open the door or the darkness will come out and cover you!" The little boy did not open the door.

As adults, we know better, that a door opened on darkness lights the darkness, not the other way around. Darkness can never win out over light—the light of kindness and caring, the light of love and understanding. Only when those who carry the light refuse to share it, can darkness win. Today, let me share my light with those who come to me.

C.M

Park Ridge, IL

Hymn Stories



In Christ There is no East or West

Author – John Oxemham 1852-1941. His real name was William Authur Dunkerly

Composer – Alexander R. Reinagle, 1799-1877

Tune Name – “St. Peter”

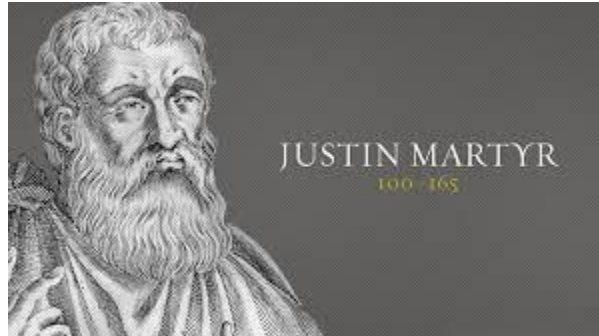
Scripture Reference: Galations 3:28

John Oxemham was born in Manchester, England, on November 12, 1852. His real name was William Arthur Dunkerly. He ran a successful wholesale grocery company with branches in Europe and the United States. Under the pen name Julian Ross he wrote fictional serial stories in a newspaper. Under the pen name John Oxenham, which was a pseudonym borrowed from *Western Ho!* a book given to him by his Sunday School teacher, he wrote many best-selling poems and hymns. It is said that he published more than forty novels and twenty other volumes of verse and prose.

An intesting account is told of an incident during World War II in which there were two ships anchored together, one containing Japanese aliens and the other American aliens, waiting to be repatriated. For one day they lined the rails glaring at each other. Suddenly, someone began to sing “In Christ There is No East or West.” Then another, on the opposite ship, joined in. Soon there was an extraordinary chorus of former enemies praising God together.

“Music is the universal language of mankind.”

From Lesser Feasts and Fasts



Justin was born to a Greek speaking pagan family about the year 110 in Samaria, near Shechem. He was educated in Greek philosophy. Like Augustine after him he was left restless by all this knowledge. During a walk along the beach at Ephesus, he fell in with a stranger, who told him about Christ. “Straightway a flame was kindled in my soul,” he writes, “and a love of the prophets and those who are friends of Christ possessed me.” He became a Christian as a result of this encounter, and thereafter regarded Christianity as the only “safe and profitable philosophy.”

About 150, Justin moved to Rome. While teaching in Rome, he engaged in a public debate with a philosopher of the Cynic school named Crescens, accusing him of ignorance and immorality. Angered, Crescens preferred legal charges before the prefect Rusticus. Rusticus gave Justin and his followers the opportunity to renounce their faith. All steadfastly refused. Justin and his companions were put to death about the year 167.

Let Us Pray: Almighty and everlasting God, you found your martyr Justin wandering from teacher to teacher, seeking the true God, and you revealed to him the sublime wisdom of your eternal Word: Grant that all who seek you, or a deeper knowledge of you, may find and be found by you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever, *Amen*

First Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Psalm: 16: 5-11 or 116: 1-8

Second Reading: John 12:44-50

Notes Received

Dear Fr. Craig,

Thank you for your ministry during this challenging time for me and my family. It is greatly appreciated. **Please pass on my thanks and gratitude to the congregation for the luncheon and enabling us here in Albany to be a part of the service.**

Thank You and God Bless.

Reverend Jim French

Father Craig and members of the Church,

We would like to thank you all for the kindness you extended to us for Nancy's memorial. It is greatly appreciated. Nancy and Floyd have many wonderful memories of their time there and of the many friends they made.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts

The family of Nancy French

Father Craig and members of the Church,

Thank you for such a beautiful service and luncheon last Saturday. It was nice to see everyone again and to be able to share memories of Nancy.

May God bless you all.

From the family of Floyd and Nancy French

Dear Father Craig,

Fred and I look forward to once again pray with the congregation at St. James. The welcome offered last year touched us deeply.

Blessings

Sue Orchard