

Early Fall 2018

# Messenger

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## St. James Mission Statement

We are called by God to become a growing community of hope centered in Jesus Christ for the benefit of the wider communities in which we live. We seek to bring the power of that hope to those around us by Spiritual Renewal, Service to Youth and Children, Outreach, Stewardship Education, and Congregational Growth.



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### Worship Services:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Contemporary Worship  
 Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Rite I  
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Rite II



## PARISH PICNIC SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Following the 10:15 service

Hot dogs, beverages, games and fellowship provided  
 See sign-up sheet if you would like to provide a side dish  
 or dessert **B.Y.O.C.** \* (Bring your own chair)  
**EVERYONE WELCOME! INVITE A FRIEND!**

## OFFICE STAFF TRANSITION

After almost 26 years, Elizabeth (Beth) Williams will be leaving her position as Parish Administrator. Her last day with us is August 23. She began under the rectorship of Lloyd Winter, and endured through four priest transitions. Always a cheerful and faithful soul, willing to do more and more as the position evolved, she will truly be missed. We wish her well in retirement with sincere gratitude and grateful appreciation.

Transitioning into the role will be Joanna Magee. Joanna is familiar with St. James through the preschool where she sent her two boys, now ages 9 and 11. She served on the preschool board for 4 years. She later came back and became a classroom aide for two years. Before having children, Joanna earned a Bachelor of Science in Marketing at Penn State and worked in several office positions in the business world. She lives in Langhorne with her husband and children and is looking forward to the challenges of her new position in our church office. She will be working with Beth for two weeks to learn the position starting August 13. Please be sure to stop by and introduce yourselves when you have the chance and welcome her to our parish staff.

## ELECTRONIC PARISH DIRECTORY

If you have a 'smart' phone and would like an electronic version of the parish directory to install on the phone, please see Rev. Kelley for instructions on how to download it. You will need a unique password she can provide. This is only available to parishioners whose names are actually in the directory.

## St. James Recipes



The year 2019 will be an exciting one for St. James as we

celebrate our 125th anniversary! To commemorate this event, we will be publishing a cookbook, full of recipes we have enjoyed at our many social events. In addition, we'd also love some of your tried and true, never-fail family recipes. However, we cannot do this without your help.

Please take a minute to jot down your favorite recipe on the sheet included in this Messenger. There will be a basket in the Narthex to collect them. We'd like to have the recipes by November 1st. You may submit more than one recipe. Extra forms can be found in the Narthex, next to the recipe collection basket. Questions? Call Diane 215-757-6305. Thanks!

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The Newsletter of St James

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Article Submission Deadline Dates:

- Newsletter, see weekly bulletin
- For weekly bulletin announcements, articles are due by the morning of the Tuesday before.

**Beth Williams, Parish Administrator**

Parish Office Hours:

8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Monday thru Thursday

## Spiritual Companions

Spiritual Companions usually meets the 2nd Monday of the month in the narthex. We'll meet Sept. 10th and Oct. 8th from 10AM till 1PM. Typically our time together is spent reading the daily gospel lesson, reflecting on it and sharing our insights. We encourage everyone to bring a lunch so we can continue in fellowship. It's an opportunity to share how the Gospel lessons impact our lives. For more information contact Chris



# EfM

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY

EfM has been an active program at St. James, Langhorne for over 20 years. It's for those who are looking to grow their faith and have wanted more than a bible study class. Through study, prayer, and reflection, EfM groups move toward a new understanding of God in their lives. We meet every Thursday morning from 9:00 to 11:30 am from September to May.

There are still openings for our Fall semester. If you want more information contact Mary Banecker at 215-757-7558.

## Greetings from St. James Preschool!

The upcoming school year is quickly approaching.



Our Pre-K program has expanded with an afternoon Tuesday through Friday class taught by Mrs. Kobel and Ms. Katie. In our two-year-old class, Ms. Tiffany returns and we welcome Ms. Abbey as our aide. Mrs. Kobel and Ms. Leigh are returning to teach each of our Pre-Kindergarten classes. Ms. Katie and Ms. Kathleen are our Pre-Kindergarten aides. Ms. Theresa and Ms. Kim return as our teachers for the three-year-old classes. Our school continues to expand and our excitement is building as we look forward to the start of a new school year!

We look forward to the start of our 2018/19 school year at St. James Preschool!!



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Make sure you give the Parish Office the college or military address for your graduate so that we can send them the newsletter while they are away.



First Tuesday book club will be reading:

Sept. 4th - Lilac Girls - Martha Hall Kelley

Oct. 2nd - An Invisible Thread - Laura Schoff & Alex Tresniowski

Nov. 6th - The Girl Who Wrote in Silk - Kelli Estes

We meet in the library at 7:30PM. Hope to see you!

## Clothing for the Men's Shelter

Old First Reformed United Church of Christ was the first church in Philadelphia to open its doors to homeless Philadelphians in 1984. Please consider donating your gently used or new men's clothing. The clothing given by St. James and other churches is distributed every Saturday morning along with breakfast. Gentlemen in the shelter are particularly thrilled to receive the packages of new underwear and socks that members of St. James donated in the past. A clothing collection box is located in the Parish Hall under the "Name Tags".

Thanks to all who help make the soup kitchen experience a success...whether you make soup or serve that day, everyone contributes to bringing God's love into the lives of those served at St. Marks every Saturday.



We're back! We return to St. Mark's on Sept. 15th & again on Oct. 20th. We'll be making Sausage & Tortellini for each visit. Hope you can join us - Remember - you're welcome to go any Saturday - willing hands are always welcome.

For more information contact Chris Parker 215-741-1279

### SAUSAGE AND TORTELLINI SOUP

- 2 pounds sweet chicken or turkey sausage, casings removed
- 2 cups chopped onion
- 4 large garlic cloves, sliced
- 8 cups beef stock or canned broth
- 4 cups chopped tomatoes (about 3/4 pound)
- 2 8-ounce cans tomato sauce
- 2 large zucchini, sliced 2 large carrots, thinly sliced
- 2 medium-sized green bell peppers, diced
- 4 tablespoons dried basil
- 4 tablespoons dried oregano
- 16 to 20 ounces purchased fresh cheese tortellini
- Freshly grated Parmesan cheese

Sauté Italian sausage in heavy Dutch oven over medium-high heat until cooked through, crumbling with back of spoon, about 10 minutes. using slotted spoon, transfer sausage to large bowl. Pour off all but 1 tablespoon drippings from Dutch oven. Add onion and garlic to Dutch oven and sauté until translucent, about 5 minutes. Return sausage to Dutch oven. Add stock, tomatoes, tomato sauce, zucchini, carrot, bell pepper, wine, basil and oregano. Simmer until vegetables are tender, about 40 minutes. (Can be prepared 2 days ahead. Cover and refrigerate. Bring to simmer before continuing.)

Add tortellini to soup and cook until tender, about 8 minutes. Season soup to taste with salt and pepper. Ladle soup into bowls. Sprinkle with Parmesan and serve.

Serves 12

# Holy Cross Retreat

For more than 30 years St. James Parish has sponsored a Retreat to the Holy Cross Monastery, located in West Park, New York, along the Hudson River. We have scheduled a Retreat on Friday Afternoon January 18th to Sunday the 20th, 2019. We do set up carpooling for the trip.

We have found our retreats to be a wonderful experience. We arrange for a group leader, usually one of the monks in resident, to conduct the retreat. There is time for quiet reflection as well as fellowship. They also have a lovely bookstore.

We have an opportunity to join the brothers for the Monastic Offices and to meet them during the weekend.

The accommodations are comfortable, the food is great, and the scenery along the Hudson outstanding. The cost that covers meals, accommodations, and the program, is \$225 per person.

If any members or friends are interested in further information I can be contacted



by mail, phone or E-mail as listed below or contact the St. James Parish office, 215-757-376. I do have to notify the Monastery by the end of November of possible attendees

As stated many of us at St. James have found this Retreat to be a highpoint of our year and we would like to share our experience with members of other Parishes or even from other denominations as well as our own parish members.

I would suggest the website <http://www.holycrossmonastery.com/> And/or Facebook, Holy Cross Monastery.

Hope you can join us in January.

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## ERA Fresh Veggies

Hunger continues to be a serious problem in America and in our own community. Thank you for your generosity in the past. If you have not yet committed to giving \$5 or \$10 a month to the ERA Fresh Veggie Program, it's not too late. St James delivers 300 pounds of fresh vegetables every other week to the Emergency Relief Association's Food Cupboard on Woodbourne Road. This is in addition to the groceries that you donate every Sunday. Please add your donation to your Sunday envelop and note next to (Designate): ERA Veggies. Thanks to Dave Marrington and Dan Ahern for delivering the food, their work is essential to this ministry. For additional information contact Mary Banecker 215 757-7558.

## As summer continues.....

please remember St. James can run into cash flow problems. If you are planning to go away on vacation, please consider making your pledge in advance. Thank you!

## Crafters Wanted

Do you love to craft and have a glue gun within reach at all times? Are you not creative but you are really good at following directions? Either way, we need you!!! We will be creating crafted goods to feature at an arts and crafts fundraising event in November, but we need to get our glue guns fired up now!



During the summer we will be meeting every other Thursday, AUGUST 23RD, AND SEPTEMBER 6TH. If you are interested in crafting or have supplies to donate, please reach out to Roanna at roanna\_m@hotmail.com. We are in need of supplies: There will be a box in the Narthex for supplies you donate.

If you have the following, please set them aside - shells (especially clam and scallop), sea glass, floral wire, wreath forms (wire or foam), round Christmas ornaments (glass or foam), wooden paint stirrers, yarn, wine corks, Scrabble tiles, buttons (colorful and white, not brown/tan), wood of various sizes (contact for exact needs), newspaper, craft paint, paint brushes, glue guns, glue sticks, craft glue, black Sharpies, miscellaneous crafting supplies that are gathering dust because you never got around to making that amazing something.



## amazonsmile

Did you know that St James Church has a unique AmazonSmile link that makes it easier for to find and support the Parish?

St. James' unique link?

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-6403631>

What does my unique link do?

When customers click on your organization's unique link, they skip the process to search for a charity to support among over 1 million eligible charities. Instead, they're taken to smile.amazon.com and are automatically asked if they want to support St James Church.

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You shop. Amazon gives.

## Adult Forum Begins

SEPT. 16 at 9am



First Light is a 12-session DVD and web-based study of the historical Jesus and the Kingdom of God with two of the world's leading Jesus scholars on location throughout the Galilee and Jerusalem: John Crossan and Marcus Borg

Why did Jesus happen when he happened? Why the confluence of the Baptism movement of John and the Kingdom movement of Jesus? Why the tiny villages around the Lake? Why the confrontations in Jerusalem? Why then? Why there?

What were the priorities of Jesus' proclamation of the Kingdom? How was the status quo of Roman imperial theology subverted by this obscure Galilean whose message continues to indict empire today?

Join us for these informative and stimulating videos, accompanied by our group discussions.

Each participant will receive a participant guide with background material for each session, as well as discussion guide pages. No registration required! Just come when you can.

# **CROP HUNGER WALK**



**ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME**

***October 14th in Doylestown.***

*Chris and Mary Ann Bursk are organizing this event.*

*Who would like to walk with us??? This is a family friendly event and great exercise.*

*If you cannot walk, please consider donating to this worthy cause.*

*Go to [www.crophungerwalk.org](http://www.crophungerwalk.org). Click on "donate".*

*Choose a team: St. James Langhorne.*

*Enter your amount.*

*Thanks in advance for your support.*