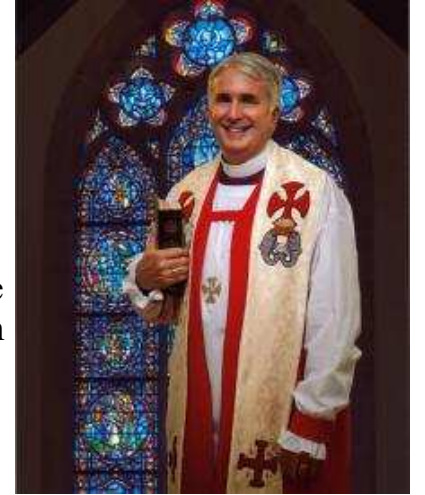


Our vision for St. James Parish is to be a Loving Family, embracing all peoples, expressing the love of Jesus Christ and carrying out His Ministry in our Community of Faith and the Community in which we live.

ST. JAMES MESSENGER

BISHOP'S VISIT AND CONFIRMATION

Bishop Greg Brewer will be visiting St. James on **Sunday, October 20th**. He will preside over both morning services, with confirmations at 10:15 a.m. Please be sure to join us for this special time. A reception for the bishop, his wife Laura Lee, and the confirmands will take place after the 10:15 service in the Parish Hall.



YOU ARE INVITED!

ST. JAMES PARISH WIDE DINNER 6:30 P.M., Thursday, October 10th, RoMac Training Center 200 E. Main St, Leesburg

We invite you to join us as we begin our fall stewardship program with a parish wide dinner on **Thursday, October 10th, at 6:30 p.m.** at the Romac Training Center (at the corner of Main Street and Canal Street in Leesburg). Come and enjoy some food and fellowship, learn about our program, and get to know some of your fellow parishioners. The dinner is catered and free of charge, but we need you to **RSVP by Thursday, October 3rd**. Invitation cards are included in our Sunday bulletins. You may also come by the church office, or call our secretary Pat to be included on the list.

This year our program will focus on the theme of our new parish mission statement. Come find out what it is! Mark your calendars, and be sure to join us!

OCTOBER 2019

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Assisting Deacons: Rev’ds Charlie Perrin, Jerry Steidl
Verger: Horace Harper
Parish Organist/Choir Director: Deb Carraway
Nursery Coordinator: Carmen Rebusmen
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Sexton: Doug Ames
Housekeeping: Diane Smith
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YOUTH AND FAMILY EVENT
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6TH,
5:30-7:30 P.M. in the PARISH HALL

Join us for our annual “Fall Festival,” as we enjoy dinner and a series of “minute to win it” games” appropriate for all ages! Goody bags are given out to everyone who participates in each game.

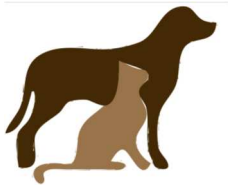
We are providing BBQ and drinks from Oakwood, and ask that you bring a side or a dessert. Please RSVP to Beth Williams at 352-702-2062 so she can order the right amount of food. Don’t miss it!



MEN’S PRAYER BREAKFAST

The men of St. James meet for breakfast and a time of prayer on the first Friday of each month, from 7:30 to 8:15 a.m. Our next meeting will be held on **Friday, October 4th** in the Parish Hall.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, we will have a service for the Blessing of Animals on **Wednesday, October 9th at 6:00 p.m.** on the Veranda. “All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices let us sing!”



WHAT’S COMING UP!!

October 1st	10:00 am	ECW General Meeting
October 4th	7:30 am	Men’s Morning Prayer
October 6th	5:30 pm	Fall Festival
October 9th	6:00 pm	Blessing of the Animals
October 10th	6:30pm	Parish Wide Dinner
October 20th	8:00 & 10:15 am	Bishop’s Visit & Confirmation
October 26	10:00am	St. James MarketPlace
November 10th	8:00 & 10:15 am	Stewardship Sunday & Ministry Fair
November 15	6:00pm	St. James Grand Auction
November 17	5:30pm	Men & Boys Steak Dinner



Martha and Mary Chapter October, 2019

Four Daughters represented our chapter at the Fall Assembly in Orlando. We learned that the diocese of Central Florida was able to purchase each of the nearly 400 Daughters in Malawi a Bible of her own, in her language, Chichewa. This is thanks to your generous donations, Thank you!

Our program last month, lead by Father Tom was on Matthew 5:1-11, the Beatitudes. We were each given notes from Father Tom to be used as a bases for the discussion that followed. The conversation was quite lively!

October 9th will be the next DOC meeting. Father Tom will continue with Matthew 5:12-43. We invite the women of St. James to join us as we begin our meeting at 2pm in the parish hall. See you there!

HOLIDAY TABLE LUNCHEON

The Holiday Table Luncheon and Fashion Show will take place on Friday, February 7, 2020. We are in need of 2 more hostesses to host and decorate a table showcasing your favorite holiday (Thanksgiving, Valentine's Day, Halloween, etc). If you have some special holiday tableware that you would like to share, this event offers a great opportunity to do so.

We are also in need of 6 volunteers (size 6 to 1X) to model an array of clothing from a local retailer. If you are interested in hosting or modeling, please call Jody Stokes at 352-326-2307.

NEED TO MEET WITH FR. TOM?

If you would like to know when you can come by the church to meet with Fr. Tom, he will be available on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10:00 to noon, and Thursdays from 11:00 to noon. If you would like to arrange for other times to meet, you can contact him by phone or text at (352) 643-1182, or by email at frtrees@stjames-leesburg.org.

EUCCHARISTIC VISITATION

With an increase in homebound parishioners asking for Communion, we are in need of members willing to be trained and licensed to become Eucharistic Visitors. This program is now being overseen by our deacon, Charlie Perrin. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry, please contact Deacon Charlie at charlie-perrin@outlook.com or the church office at 787-1981. We are especially in need of Eucharistic Visitors to go out from our 8:00 AM service.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT ST. JAMES SUNDAYS AT 9:00 AM

Join us each Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. for a time of study, fellowship, and spiritual growth! We have a number of options for children and adults:

Our children, grades K-8, meet with **Beth Williams in the St. Nicholas House** to learn about how the prophets of the Old Testament prepared the way for Jesus' birth, which helps us prepare the way for his return. They will use this time to practice for the Jubilate Christmas presentation, "**Children, Get Ready to Go and Tell It!**"

Our adults meet **in the Parish Hall with Fr. Tom**, whose series for the fall is on **The Miracle of the Eucharist**. The Eucharist is something we celebrate every week, and has been practiced by Christians from the beginning of the Church. What does Scripture tell us about Holy Communion? What happens when we receive it? How does it impact our lives? Come and find out what makes the celebration of the Eucharist a "miracle"!

We also have a couple other options during the Sunday School hour ahead of **Bishop Brewer's visit to St. James on October 20th**. For those interested in being confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church, we will have an Inquirer's Class from September 15th to October 13th, led by Fr. Ron Peak (if you can't attend all the classes but would like a tutorial, please let Fr. Peak know). For children interested in receiving Holy Communion, we have a First Communion class in Room 5, from September 22nd to October 13th, taught by Fr. Charles and Dot Hay. If you are interested in either of those options, please contact the church office at 352-787-1981.

TEEN BIBLE STUDY

The St. James Teen Bible Study is now meeting again! We meet **Monday evenings at 6:00**. This is an excellent opportunity for discipleship, friendship, and evangelism. We are utilizing a video program called The Story, which shows how the whole narrative of Scripture leads us to know and understand who Jesus is personally. For more information, contact Susie Brewer at 843-514-2123.



ECW MARKETPLACE IS COMING!
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26TH
10:00 AM
Lunch served @ 11:00 A.M.

The ECW Fall Bazaar will have a new name and a new look! Many volunteers are needed for the MarketPlace, so if you would like to help out or donate items, please contact the Booth Chairperson, or K.C. Docie at 443-600-9164, or Cheryl Nann at 446-8018

Boutique— Marie Crouch 352-435-7552— Donations of jewelry, scarves and purses. She is also looking for glitzy pieces of jewelry for a special project that will be for sale. These items can even be broken inexpensive jewelry, barrettes, loose gems, etc.

The Green Thumb— Chris Meade— 352-787-4241— Donations of plants and any gardening items will be appreciated. Start your plants and seeds now!

Kountry Kitchen— Iris Robuck 352-787-2203 or Eileen Pens 315-725-9898

They would like your favorite **homemade** baked goods, jellies, jams honey, etc.

The Sweet Shoppe— Kathleen Trees 337-241-3434—They are asking for **homemade** chocolates, candies, etc.

Carry-Out Cuisine— Jan Tindall-717-575-1989— Jan is asking for any frozen homemade casseroles, soups, or dinner items that can be taken home and cooked.

Door Prizes—Jeannine Rowell-352-255-8271 or Becky Mitchell 352-348-9715 Any items that you would be willing to buy a ticket to win!!

Books— Margaret Branham— 352-787-5893 Books needed: any size or subject hardbacks or paperbacks, DVD's, CD's, Puzzles or Magazine sets

Kids Korner— Leah Delgado-352-406-0088 Any children's items that can be used as prizes for games.

Meat Money— This year, we have a change in our luncheon menu, hence **MEAT MONEY!!**

DOOR PRIZES

DONATIONS, DONATIONS, DONATIONS of Door Prizes needed for MarketPlace (Bazaar). Needed by September 30, 2019. Pick up available. Call Jeannine Rowell @ 352 255-8271 or Becky Mitchell @ 352 348-9715.



MUSIC MUSINGS
October 2019

*O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come.
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!*

Home... For many, the concept of eternity, much less an eternal home, is too fuzzy to embrace. For me, however, the concept of an eternal home, is one of comfort and peace. I think the reason is because of how I feel about my own home. Schedules can be crazy, life definitely has its ups and downs, trips to places far and not-so-far are enjoyed, but at the end of the day or journey all paths lead home. And I'm always grateful! In the middle of life's craziness the comfort of home is always before me, and that's how it is as we journey toward heaven. Our hope is in the God who was, is, and will forever be our hope and our home.

In the meantime we are called to live fully in the days appointed to us, serving faithfully and worshipping joyfully. There are many ways to do both of these at St. James, and here are a few of the musical options I hope you will consider:

St. James Choir – 7 p.m. Wednesdays in the Chapel – We are already rehearsing diligently for Christmas and would love to have you join us.

Jubilate (K-8th Grade) – 4:45 p.m. Wednesdays in the St. Nicholas house – Ms. Beth makes choir time fun with both singing and games.

Instrumental Ensemble – 6:15 p.m. Wednesdays in the Church – Student and Adult instrumentalists are welcome to “come and play” as we make a joyful noise to God!

Please call or see me after worship if you have any questions about how you might become a part of the ministry here at St. James.

*O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.*

Yours in Christ,
Deb Carraway
Director of Music and Organist
352.978.3186



- 1 Don Lindskoog
- 2 Babs Treiber
Ella Kate Daley
- 3 Verna Lindskoog
David Knowles
Matthew Ostrander
- 4 Susan Luth
Dorothy Samler
Charlotte Sanchez
- 5 Paul Smigel
Patricia Stanton
Scott Daley
- 6 Joe Northcott
- 7 Nicholas Palmer
Ellen Brooks
- 8 Jeff Brooke-Stewart
Tom Trees
Gordon Oldham
- 9 Chuck Bayette
Marie Gan
Georgia Koyl
Paula O'Connor
Michael Cyrus
Brynnan Curry
- 10 Barbara Hooker
Skellie Morris
- 12 Susan Jean Dewitte

- 13 Sue Geiger
Jim Martin
Mary Burnett
- 14 John Meier
- 15 Monika Bonner
Richard Stanton
Drew Logan
- 16 Ross Belson
Iris Stone
Bob Meade
- 19 Jack MacIntyre
Caroline Oldham
- 20 Stephanie Engel
Blythe Daley
- 21 Muriel Chadwick
- 22 Dorothy Martin
- 23 Chris Leware
Ray Emerson
Herma Mowatt
Elaine Rey
- 25 John Hill
- 26 Joan Reid
Judy Baxter
- 28 B. Murray Tucker
- 30 Beryl Stokes



- 1 George & Margaret Bolton
- 4 Wylie & Rebecca Hill
- 7 Bill & Katie Mann
- 9 Chuck Bayette & Dottie Elliott
Jack & Lolita Sergio

- 16 Charlie & Kathy Davidson
- 19 Russ & Gem Vance
- 23 Charles & Marti Doty
- 28 Mark & Kay Palmer
- 30 Jim & Dorothy Gustafson

ECW GRAND AUCTION & SILENT AUCTION November 15, 2019

**Pre-Auction Wine & Appetizers; Silent Auction: 6:00 P.M.
Live Auction: 7:00 P.M.**

It's hard to believe, but the ECW Grand Auction & Silent Auction is next month! We are looking forward to making this event another big success for ECW. Everyone is excited about having the Grand Auction on Friday night, November 15, 2019. We hope you can join us for this gala event!

We are in need of donations for the Grand Auction & Silent Auction. If you have something you would like to donate to the Grand Auction, contact Bob Tindall. It's important to note that ALL donations must go through Bob; they cannot just be "dropped off" at the Office. Bob can be reached by email or phone: walruselect@gmail.com or (717) 575-3092. If you would like to donate something to the Silent Auction, please contact Kristen Daley: kmydaley@gmail.com

The absolute deadline for contributions is 5:00 PM, Wednesday, November 6. We need to have the list finalized by then so that the program can be finalized and printed in time to be handed out on Sunday, November 10.

ECW MONTHLY MEETINGS

The next monthly meeting of the St. James Episcopal Church Women will be held on **Tuesday, October 1st, at 10:00AM in the Parish Hall**. The scheduled program is "**Growing Veggies, Herbs & More,**" presented by Aubrey Cash, owner of "Dirty Dog Organics."

Chapter Meetings—October 15th

The next monthly chapter meetings take place on Tuesday, October 15th. Three chapters meet at 10:00 a.m.: St. Ann's (Hosted by Shirley Dunne, 414 Ranchwood Dr, Leesburg in Pennbrooke); St. Francis' (Hosted by Cheryl Nann, 25126 Laurel Valley Rd., Leesburg in Plantation); and St. Mary's (hosted by Bev Parsons, 25046 Riverwalk Dr., Leesburg in the Plantation). The St. Celilia's chapter meets at 7:00 p.m. (hosted by Terri Ross and Sandy Oberholtzer, 807 Washington St, Leesburg. The ECW is open to all the women of St. James. If you would like to attend, please contact any of the chapter hostesses, or ECW president **Becky Binneveld**.

The December ECW Meeting to be held on Tuesday, December 3rd will feature a collection of Nativity sets. If you have a favorite or unusual set you would be willing to display and briefly discuss at the meeting, please contact Jan Tindall at jtindall01@gmail.com with your information and a brief description of the creche (origin, material, size, unusual features). I am hoping to have a large variety, and although I suspect we may not be able to showcase all of them, I plan to display them all. Thank you for your willingness to share your holiday treasures- Jan Tindall



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