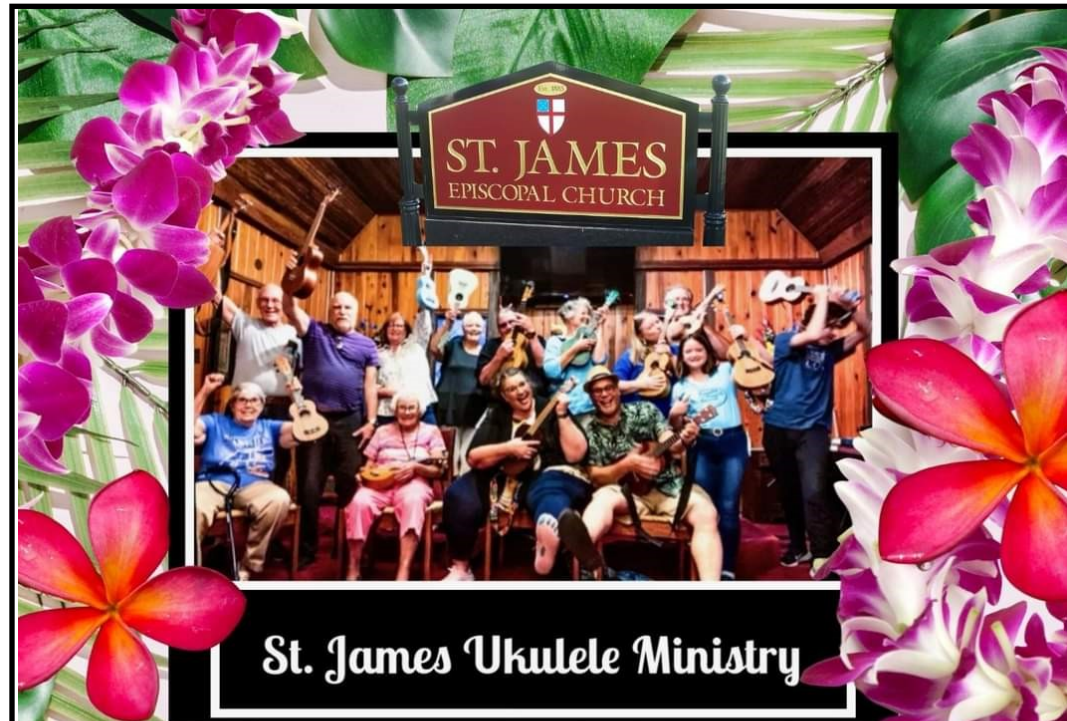


St. James seeks to be a community that grows more Christlike, expressing the love of Jesus Christ in our worship, our outreach, and our commitment to discipleship.

ST. JAMES MESSENGER



UKULELE LESSONS CONTINUE!

The Ukulele Ministry meets every 2nd & 4th Monday
at 7:00 PM in the Chapel.

Starting from scratch? No problem! Beginner Classes, taught
by John Burr, will start on September 1st and meet
every 1st and 3rd Monday.

SEPTEMBER 2024

The Messenger is a monthly publication of St. James' Episcopal Church in Leesburg, Florida. It is mailed on the last week of each month and highlights parish news for the upcoming month. **Deadline for submissions is the third Wednesday of each month.** Submissions should be sent to: Victoria Mymudes <office@stjames-leesburg.org>

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SUNDAY SERVICES **8:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.**
HEALING SERVICE: **Every Thursday at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel**
FR. TREES' CELL & EMAIL: **(352)-643-118 EMAIL: frtrees@stjames-leesburg.org**
OFFICE PHONE: **(352) 787-1981 FAX: (352)787-1021**
OFFICE EMAIL: **office@stjames-leesburg.org**

Please visit our website at: www.stjames-leesburg.org



Sunday services are livestreamed at 10:15 AM:
Go to YouTube and type
“Leesburg Stjames” or visit our Facebook Page.

CLERGY AND STAFF

Rector	Rev'd Thomas Trees
Deacon	Rev'd Art Hollows
Parish & Finance Secretary	Victoria Mymudes & Dorry Curran
Parish Organist/Choir Director	John Wilson
Youth Ministry and Choir Director	Elizabeth Williams
Sexton	Wylie Hill

VESTRY MEMBERS

(Senior Warden) Terri Galyon, (Junior Warden) Drew Logan, (Treasurer) Linda Weekley Bill Binneveld, Rita Clements, Linda Grizzard, David Knowles, Mackie McCabe, Stuart Mowatt, Marvin Naylor, Dan Robuck, Dick Singeltary .



St. James Prayer List

Call the Church Office (352)787-1981 with additions/deletions



SHORT TERM
(3 Weeks)

Carl & Donna Sharnosua
Monika Bonner August 13th
Joe Branham August 14th



LONG TERM

Nathan Battle	Becky Mitchell
Larry Bonofiglio	Jim Mitchell
Mabel Burns	Brandon Morrison
Fr. Bill Boyer	Curt Oestreich
Judy Cable	Bubba Robinson
Pratt Carter	Cindy Raczkow
Dottie Elliott	Dott Vedder
Fr. Charles Hay	Julitta Velton
Keneta Gaillardet	

From John Wilson,
our Organist...

Hello St James,
I hope everyone had a good summer and that our families with school age children have had a successful return back to school. My family and I had an adventurous trip in Greece and we are so grateful for everyone's prayers and well wishes. We visited many ruins, museums, beaches, volcanoes, restaurants, more restaurants, and capped our travels with a day trip to Corinth. We explored the old town ruins where Paul delivered many of his lessons to the Corinthians.



GRIEF SUPPORT

Our next Grief Support meeting is going to be:
September 05, 2024 at The Coffee Snob. As always,
the Meet & Greet starts at 3:00p.m.

The meeting starts at approximately 3:15p.m. If you would like to order a drink, plan on coming a little earlier. Water and light snacks are provided.
The start-up conversation topic for this month is:

“The Use of Intentional Grieving to Help Us Heal”.



LIBRARY CORNER



I will start my update of your Parish Library with one of my favorite slogans **-READING IS FUNDAMENTAL -** and will boldly add that reading on the subject of religion and one's faith is even more fundamental. Yes, you, dear reader, might be reading your Bible faithfully, but is every aspect of that exalted book easily understood? Given the dated, beautiful language, probably not. This is the reason we need to look for explanations and illuminations of the message of that wonderful book.

Well, you are in luck, because we have here at St. James a library, with books written by the famed Christian apologist C.S. Lewis and also many other noted religious writers. During the coming months we make these books available for you on the parish hall library book truck and in the parish library itself, located in **Room 6**.

NOW, 4 members of our congregation have volunteered to help the librarian make the wonders of our library more accessible. They are **Linda Weekly, Sherry Lash, Joyce Walrath and Lucy Trees**. So, if you have any questions about the library, it's contents and

INVITE-WELCOME-CONNECT UPDATE

Connecting Newcomers to St James

Connecting is the process of making Newcomers feel like they belong. At St James our process involves the following:

- *Contacting them,
- *Being available to them
- *Helping them see where they fit in within St James
- *And, Tracking their status

Bob Tindall has done a super job of preparing and presenting the 3-part series, "The History of St. James, Why We Do What We Do" for newcomers. Bob has also put together a small group of people, called "Liaison" to St. James. These Liaisons make first contact, via the mail. This small group could certainly welcome growth. If you are interested in helping with this

LABOR DAY YOUTH OPEN HOUSE

Children and families are invited to join Beth Williams on **Monday, September 2nd**, for an Open House from **11:00AM-5:00 PM**. Stop by anytime during the day for food, activities, and games!

"A TASTE OF ST. JAMES"

Friday, September 27th, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

A Fundraiser for supplies and medical needs for the

Jamaica Medical Mission

20 CHEFS are needed that will prepare enough food of ONE ITEM, (2-4 OUNCES, A SAMPLING) for 100 people to taste.

**St. James' members, guests and community are invited.
Tickets on sale Sundays and in the office in September.**

Please Contact:

Sharon McCabe, 352-267-8188

Shebylou@aol.com

**if you are interested in
BEING A CHEF or donating
a RAFFLE ITEM**



Please join us on
**Sunday,
September 8th**, in
the Parish Hall after
the 10:15 Service,
for...

PAT SCHAEFER'S CELEBRATION DAY

INTERGENERATINAL SUNDAY SCHOOL RETURNS!

RED LETTER EDITION

**STARTING SEPTEMBER 15TH
@ 9:00 AM**

BREAKFAST IS INCLUDED!

We'll look at the words and deeds of Jesus from each Sunday's Gospel lesson with fun, interactive activities.

ECW OUTREACH

WELCOME BACK FALL|COFFEE

**September 7th
10:00 a.m., in the Parish Hall**

At our first meeting of the New Year, please join the ECW Board members to learn about the events planned for the coming year, while enjoying a convivial morning of food and fellowship.



Ronald McDonald Arnold Palmer House

If there is a positive for the heat and humidity we have had for the past weeks, it's that there are a lot of 'Pull Tabs' being saved and filling the house, with the removable roof in the Parish Hall. As you all know these small aluminum tabs are a treasure to support the needs of families who find lodging and meals at the Arnold Palmer House in Orlando, while their child is in the hospital there. Blessings To All!



FLOWERS FOR SUNDAY SERVICES



Those desiring to offer flowers for any service-either in Memory of Loved Ones or in Thanksgiving, please contact me, **Bonnie Binneveld, at 352-255-1658.**

On behalf of ECW, I will handle the monthly calendar for Altar and Madonna flowers. Then it is up to the donor to contact a local florist and make arrangements. They should bill you directly, Not St. James. You can also reserve the Altar candle for \$10.00.

Thank you, Bonnie Binneveld

CHAPTER MEETINGS September 17th

St. Anne's Chapter
plans to study "Walk in Love, Episcopal Beliefs and Practices" By Scott Gunn and Melody Wilson Shobe.

St. Cecilia's Chapter
has chosen "The Parables" by Gary Inrig.

St. Francis Chapter
will continue discussion regarding the television series "The Chosen".

ST. JAMES POLO & T-SHIRTS

Men's Polo Shirts Sizes

Sm, Med, Large, XL \$25 each
2XL, 3 XL, 4XL, 5XL \$30 each.

Children's Polo Shirts Sizes

Sm, Med, Large, XL \$25 each



MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

The men of St. James are invited to join us on the third Wednesday of every month at 8:00 AM in the Parish Hall. Our next meeting will be on September 18th. We have a DVD Bible Study called, "Searching for the Historical Jesus".

BIBLE STUDY WITH JEFF BROOKS-STEWART

After our summer break we will continue our study of the Book of Acts. So far, we have studied the beginning of the church and we have followed St Paul and other early Christian evangelists on their missionary journeys to the Gentiles. Most of Paul's epistles were written during that period.

We will begin our new study at chapter 21, where we find Paul back in Jerusalem. There we will discover him falling afoul of the authorities again. He will go on trial and eventually suffer open hostility, death threats, and shipwreck. Finally, we will be with Paul in Rome as spends two full years under guard awaiting trial but free to share his message with all who will listen. This was his great mission - to share the living Gospel of Christ.

The conclusion of the Great Adventure!

Please join us on **Thursday, September 5th at 6:30 in the Parish Hall.** I think that you will enjoy the lively discussion.



Women's Polo Shirts Sizes

Sm, Med, Large, XL \$25 (short sleeve)
\$30 (¾ sleeve)
2XL, XL, 4XL \$30 (short or ¾ sleeve)

Screen Printed Tee Shirts

Adult : S, M, L, XL \$15
2XL, 3 XL, 4XL \$20
Children's: S, M, L, XL \$15

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

Meet on Wednesday, September 11th, at 2:00 p.m. We will gather in the Church Sanuary for Eucharist. This will be followed by a short meeting in the Parish Hall with refreshments.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



1st Gloria Flad	18th Pat Schaefer
1st Terrell Bounds	18th Tom Grizzard
2nd Bob Tindall	19th Hailey Pearson
2nd Lorraine Johnson	19th Matthew Booth
3rd Carter Pratt	22nd Barbara Comstock
5th Valerie Naylor	24th Leanne Trees
8th Joyce Walworth	25th Mackie McCabe
9th Harry Hackney	25th Patti Wolf
9th Sochi Nwosu	25th Susan Soltysiak
11th Charlotte Boudreau	26th Peter Samuel Trees
12th Wendy Krauss	27th Bernie Dodeci
12th Joshua Bill	28th Dot Vedder
13th Aimee Marie Jaandzinski	30th Lysie Anselmo
14th Cecilia Rebusmen	30th Sean Graham
15th Jean Christian	



ANNIVERSARIES



1st Joseph & Margaret Ann Branham
 8th Lonnie & Meg Johnson
 11th Aimee Marie Jandzinski
 11th Marvin & Valerie Naylor
 17th Mark & Peggy Steeves
 18th Roger & Kimberly
 15th Nigel & Patricia Bailey
 28th Fred & Dee Kermode
 30th Jason & Gretchen Amber Gray



JODY'S GIFT SHOP GRAND REOPENING

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH
10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



AUGUST FOOD DROP

Our August Food Drop was an excellent example of "Living to make the world less difficult for each other", by George Eliot. Volunteers, Steve Merrill, Tanina Singeltary, Bert Sofield and Rita Clements met 21 cars with drivers and walk-ins to fill the Leesburg Food Bank Truck for distribution of food for "those in need" in our community: Blessings to you all.

COLLECTED: 790 pounds of food \$495.00
 TOTAL TO DATE: **46,065 Pounds of Food**
\$55,392

NEXT FOOD DROP:
Wednesday, September 17 from 9:00-12:00.

ECW BAZAAR NOVEMBER 16TH

November is coming up fast and the Bazaar is right around the corner.

So, we are in need of

DOOR PRIZES & DONATIONS

All donations will be greatly appreciated!

**PLEASE TURN IN ALL
DOOR PRIZES & DONATIONS
BY OCTOBER 25TH**

**PRE-BAZAAR SALE
NOVEMBER 3RD & 10TH**

This will take place between the Church services on this day.

For more information about the Bazaar, door prizes and the Pre-Bazaar Sale, please contact Jeannie Rowell or Becky Mitchell.

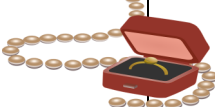
BAZAAR CRAFTING

Get Ready!!! In preparation for our Annual Bazaar which will take place on Saturday, November 16th, Crafting Sessions have been scheduled as follows:

Tuesday, September 10th, 6:00 pm-9:00 pm

Thursday, September 19th, 6:00 pm-9:00 pm

They will take place in the Parish Hall, except for September 10th, which will take place in the St. Nicholas House. Many hands are needed. So please join us for fun and fellowship, and help make the Bazaar a great success.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 15th Sunday After Pentecost 8:00 Eucharist 10:15 Eucharist	2 11-5 Youth Open House 7:00 Beginner Ukelele	3 6:00-8:00 Alpha	4 12:00 Coffee & Philosophy (Coffee Snob)  4:00 Jubilate 7:00 Adult Choir	5 10:00 Healing Service 6:30 Bible Study	6	7 10:00 Welcome Back Coffee
8 16th Sunday After Pentecost PAT SCHAEFER'S CELEBRATION 8:00 Eucharist 10:15 Eucharist	23 7:00 Stephen Ministry 7:00 Ukulele Practice	10 6:00-8:00 Alpha	11 12:00 Coffee & Philosophy (Coffee Snob) 2:00-3:00 Daughter's Of The King 4:00 Jubilate 7:00 Adult Choir 	12 9:00 Crafting 10:00 Healing Service 6:30 Bible Study	13 10-2 Jody's Gift Shop Repens 20% OFF 	14 10-2 Jody's Gift Shop Reopens 20% OFF
15 17th Sunday After Pentecost 10-2 Jody's Gift Shop Repens 20% OFF 8:00 Eucharist 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Eucharist	16 7:00 Beginner Ukelele Practice	17 10:00 ECW Chapter Meetings 6:00-8:00 Alpha	20 8:00 Men's Prayer Breakfast 12:00 Coffee & Philosophy (Coffee Snob) 4:00 Jubilate 7:00 Adult Choir	19 10:00 Healing Service 6:00 Vestry 6:30 Bible Study	20	21 ALPHA RETREAT
22 18th Sunday After Pentecost 8:00 Eucharist 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Eucharist	23 7:00 Stephen Ministry 7:00 Ukulele Practice	24 6:00-8:00 Alpha	25 12:00 Coffee & Philosophy (Coffee Snob) 4:00 Jubilate 7:00 Adult Choir 	26 10:00 Healing Service Taste Of St. James Set-Up 6:30 Bible Study 	27 6:00 Taste of St. James (Parish Hall)	28 Taste of St. James Clean-Up Time
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