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news from St. James's

From the Rector's Desk

Dear Beloved of Christ,

As this year draws to a close (I am writing this in mid-December) and a new one begins, I am filled with gratitude for you and for the life we share here at St. James's. The turning of the calendar offers a holy pause—a moment to reflect on where we have been, to give thanks for what has been, and to look ahead with hope to what God is inviting us into next.

Over the past year, we have seen again and again how generosity shapes our common life. Generosity has shown up not only in financial giving, but in time offered, hands raised to help, prayers shared, meals prepared, and compassion extended. Because of you, St. James's continues to be a place of welcome, care, learning, and service—within our walls and far beyond them.

Christian generosity is not simply about meeting needs; it is about responding to opportunity. Each new year brings with it sacred possibilities: opportunities to deepen faith, to strengthen relationships, to serve neighbors, and to bear witness to God's love in a world that is often weary and divided. At St. James's, generosity opens the door to those opportunities, allowing us to say "yes" to ministry, outreach, formation, and community life.

As we look toward the year ahead, we do so with excitement and gratitude as we prepare to welcome The Rev. Chris Leung as our new Assistant Rector. Chris brings with her a deep commitment to ministry, a passion for justice, and a rich, diverse faith journey. We are grateful for the gifts she will share with us and for the ways her leadership and friendship will strengthen our common life. As we all know, welcoming new clergy is an important moment in the life of a parish, and it reminds us that God continues to call and equip leaders to walk alongside us in this work.

Community remains at the heart of who we are. We are not a collection of individuals, but a people bound together by love, hope, and shared purpose. We worship together, serve together, grieve together, and celebrate together. In welcoming Chris, and in continuing to support one another, we live more fully into our identity as the Body of Christ—rooted in relationship and called to care for one another and the wider world.

As we enter the new year, I invite you to prayerfully consider how you might continue to participate in this shared life—through generosity of spirit, presence, and resources. Your engagement matters. Your commitment makes a difference. Together, we can continue to respond faithfully to God's call and grow into the community we are meant to be.

Thank you for all that you have given this past year, and for all that you will offer in the year ahead. May the coming months be filled with hope, courage, and joy, and may we move forward together—trusting that God is already at work among us.

With gratitude and hope,



Jan/Feb 2026

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Highlights in Jan/Feb

- **Sunday, Jan 11** Youth Group, 5pm
- **Sunday, Jan 18** Coffee Hour Forum on the Life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., 11am
- **Monday, Jan 19** Martin Luther King Day of Service (see inside for details)
- **Saturday, Jan 24** Annual Chili Cookoff, 5:30pm
- **Sunday, Jan 25** Annual Meeting, 11am
- **Saturday, February 7** Trivia Night, 6pm
- **Sunday, February 8** Youth Group from 5-6:30pm
- **Sunday, February 8** "Let There Be Light," Concert, 7pm
- **Sunday, February 15** Choral Evensong w/St. John's at St. John's, 5pm
- **Tuesday, February 17** Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, 5:30pm
- **Wednesday, February 18** Ash Wednesday Services, see inside for details

From the Organist & Director of Music

DEAR siblings in Christ,

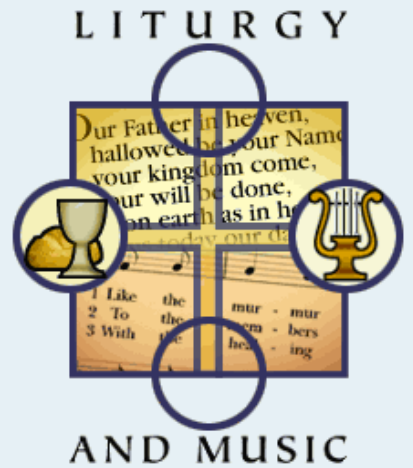
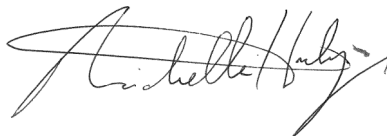
It has been a very full fall season in the music ministry of St. James's! In August, members of our adult choir were invited to be part of the Albert Schweitzer Organ Festival at Trinity College, alongside Chorus Angelicus, Gaudeamus, St. Joseph Cathedral Schola, and the Trinity College Chapel Singers in a large concert that culminated in the performance of Bernstein's magnificent Chichester Psalms. Then, in October we hosted renowned British a cappella octet VOCES8 and welcomed a sold-out audience of 500 to see their concert. The month closed out with the wacky, family-friendly Halloween musical spectacle that is PipeScreams, which brought many organists and organ enthusiasts from all over to our church. Then, in November we premiered an insane original musical called Theoretta & the Dissonants, presented by the children and youth of the church in collaboration with an adult choir "antsemble," 4-piece band, costumes, theater lighting, staging, choreography, guest coaching and special appearances. The entire show is now on Youtube (search: Theoretta & the Dissonants - I promise you, there's only one out there!). The event transformed the Parish Hall into a theatre, which was packed to standing-room only with extended family members, neighbors, and a considerable number of music educators from all over the state. I could not possibly be more proud of how well the kids did and how much we all learned in the process.

Most recently, our adult choir presented O Radiant Dawn, a Lessons & Carols style Christmas music offering featuring a chamber orchestra (string quartet, two oboists, & organ/harpsichord) performing selections from Bach's Cantata No. 62 in addition to other Baroque works by Buxtehude and Handel along with pieces by McDowell, Tavener, MacMillan, Vaughan Williams, and a new work by local organist extraordinaire, Christopher Houlihan. And by the time this article is in your hands, we will have done our Christmas Eve service - the traditional afternoon pageant, led by the children/youth of the church, followed by a late-night candlelight service featuring the adult choir along with several vocal/instrumental guests, including Sam Moffett on various woodwind instruments (saxophone, clarinet, flute, piccolo, oboe) and John Kramer on violin.

January will be the first month without at least one large-scale parish music event, but we will be using it to prepare for two exciting programs on back-to-back weekends in February. On Sunday, February 8th at 7:00pm we will be presenting a unique musical offering called Let There Be Light in collaboration with an Emmy Award-winning filmmaker and digital projection artist. This program is made possible by a grant we were awarded this past May by the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving via the Greater Hartford Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. In a similar concept to Lessons & Carols programs, we will be presenting readings about each of the 7 days of creation, as written in the Bible, with corresponding musical works. This will all be presented in a darkened sanctuary, which will be gradually illuminated with original animated visual projections on the ceiling to depict each day of creation (the heavens, the animals, the oceans, etc.) This is certainly something that has never been done before at St. James's (or anywhere that we know of!). Don't miss it! Then, in a much more traditional vein, our adult choir is collaborating with the adult choir of St. John's Episcopal Church (West Hartford) for a joint Evensong program, hosted offsite at St. John's - Sunday, February 15th at 5:00pm. These services are always so musically rich and an important part of our Episcopal music traditions. Please come!

As always, thank you for being part of this wonderful community and for your support of the music ministry here at St. James's. Blessings abound!

Soli Deo Gloria,



Important Dates

Sunday, February 8

"Let There Be Light" Concert
7:00pm in the church

Sunday, February 15

Choral Evensong with St. John's
at St. John's, 5pm

Jubilate Deo!

**O be joyful in the
Lord all ye lands;
serve the Lord with
gladness and come
before his presence
with a song. Psalm 100:1**

St. James's Center for Family Ministries



*Nurturing your children's
spiritual life from birth
through high school*

KFC (Kids for Christ) Sundays at 9:30am

*KFC (Kids for Christ) meets in
the parish hall on Sundays.
If you have questions, please
email Priscilla at:
education@stjameswh.org.*

Mondays Music & More

*A fun program for children
ages 3 to third grade every
Monday from 4 to 5:15pm
during the program year.
Music with Michelle Horsley
and art with Priscilla
Hooper.*

Youth Group

*Sundays, January 11 and
February 8 from 5 to
6:30pm.*



Many years ago, when I was a substitute with the West Hartford Public Schools, I wrote my newsletter sitting in a Physics Class at Hall High School. I know that may seem like a weird place to be writing a newsletter article, but back then I fit things in when I could. The thought for the day that day at Hall was: "Life is a balance of holding on and letting go," by Rumi, a thirteenth century Sunni Muslim Poet. I am not sure that I would have really understood this idea when I was in high school, but I remember thinking then in my mid-fifties that I knew that to be very true. Now, at almost 62, it rings true still.

Most people I know these days seem to be grappling with this balance. I have friends who are dealing with being empty-nesters—not sure how to deal with the idea that their children are grown and don't need them in the way they did when they were children. I have friends dealing with career challenges, realizing that some of their career goals might go unmet. I have friends accepting the fact that their bodies are not what they used to be. There might be a few more wrinkles and sags where there used to be smooth skin. There are hundreds of more examples of people I know trying to find this balance. One thing I know for sure, balance can be hard to achieve or even impossible without help and support.

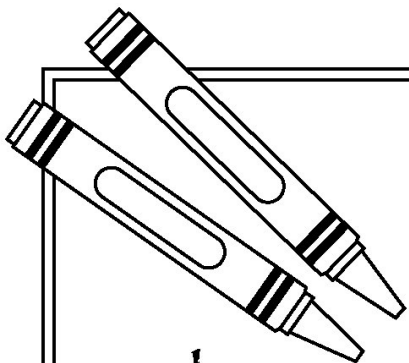
That is where we as a Christian community come in. As we come to grips with our own humanity, our faults and our flaws, the church is here. We are here to listen. We are here to pray with you. We are here to sing with you and we are here to love you, just as you are and just where you are, right now. However broken or unbalanced you think you are, we are here.

As Newton's third law says, for every action there is an equal and opposite reaction. (Remember I was in high school Physics.) We at St. James's are the counterbalance. When you are stressed by all that life throws at you, come to church. Sit in the pews. Listen to a sermon. Sing a song. Pray. Make some sandwiches. Being a part of this community can give you the balance that you are seeking. Rumi and Newton were both right. It is all about balance.

"Life is a balance of holding on and letting go." As you face the challenges of January and February in cold New England, remember that we are here at St. James's. We are here as a strong worshipping community, helping each other to live the lives we are each called to as followers of the Living God. As we all know, January in Connecticut is challenging. It is cold. There are those post-holiday blahs. It can be a time of feeling isolated and alone. Just remember you are not alone. We are here! Let go of the cold hard stresses of life. Hold on to the warm, welcoming love of this beautiful community.

Your sister in Christ,

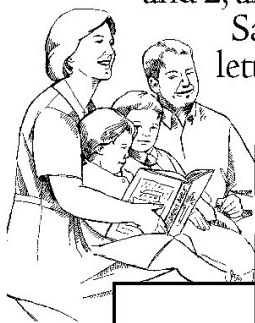
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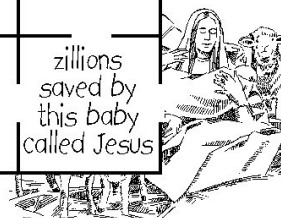
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The Story of Jesus' Birth

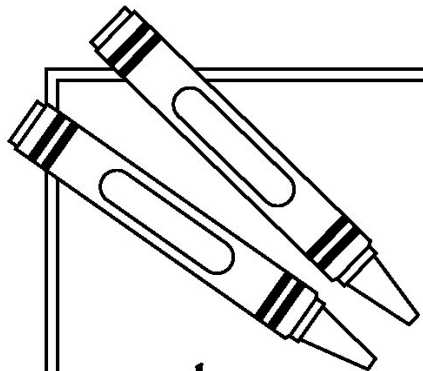
Jesus' birth is recorded in three New Testament chapters: Matthew 1 and 2, and Luke 2. Follow some important words about our Savior's birth by starting at a word beginning with the letter **A** and finishing with a word starting with the letter **Z**.



	angels	Bethlehem	car	dance	easel
cat	bear	child	donkey	egg	fast
holy	glory	flocks	Earth	feathers	gap
inn	jacket	grapes	peace	quiet	hat
Joseph	king	Lord	only	righteous	shepherds
kelp	loop	Mary	night	unique	tidings
last	maze	paper	wise men	virgin	water
open	nest	word	excitement	young	zillions saved by this baby called Jesus



Answer: angels, Bethlehem, child, donkey, Earth, flocks, glory, holy, inn, Joseph, king, Lord, Mary, night, only, peace, quiet, righteous, shepherds, tidings, unique, virgin, wise men, excitement, young, zillions (saved by this baby called Jesus)

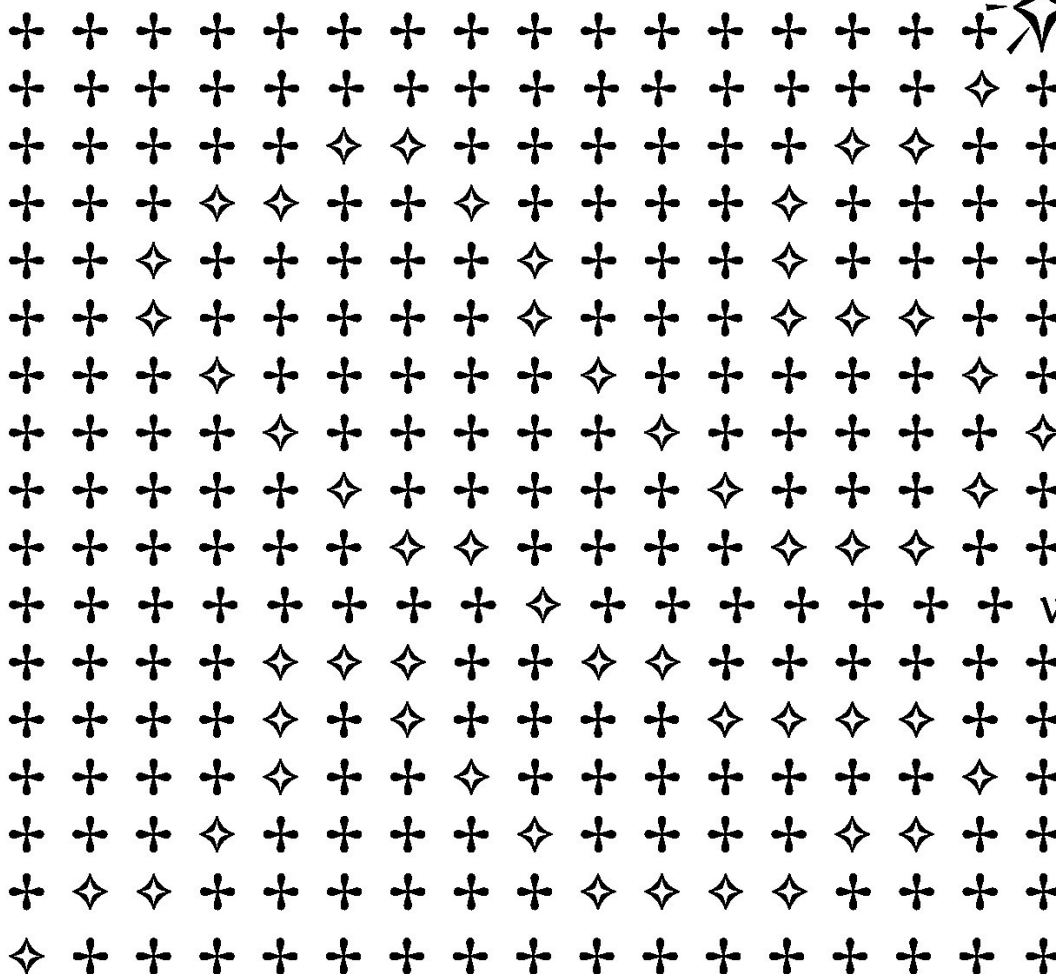


Just for KIDS

The Star that Led to the King

The wise men from the East saw a bright star. They followed it to the place where the child who would be King of the Jews was born. When they went inside, they saw baby Jesus with His mother, Mary. They bowed down and worshiped Him. (Read Matthew 2:1-11.)

Help the wise men follow the star ✧ path that leads to baby Jesus.



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START



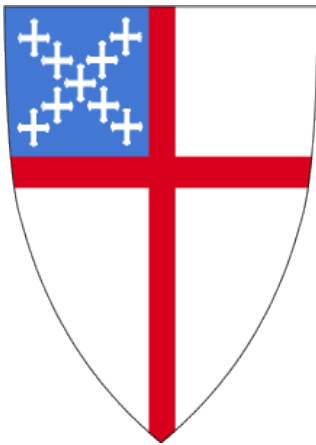
Use the code to fill in the blanks and find out what gifts the wise men brought.

♥ = A ✽ = E † = I ⊕ = O * = Y

G ⊕ LD FR ♥ NK † NC ✽ NS ✽ M * RRH

Answers: GOLD, FRANKINCENSE, MYRRH

Vestry Corner



Treasurer's Report / January—November 2025

Summary of Current Position:

Through the end of November, the church had a deficit relative to budget of \$35,933. At the end of October, the church had a deficit of \$38,905. The improvement in the YTD variance is due to continued improvement in the expenses relative to budget. As of the end of October, income was \$40,100 less

than budget but ended November \$46,955 below budget. Lower than projected pledge payments are the primary contributor to the income shortfall. Expenses were \$1,200 less than budget as of the end of October and ended November \$11,022 lower than budget.

Income & Expense Summary:

Category	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Variance
Income (+)	\$829,951	876,906	46,955 Below plan
Expense (-)	861,536	872,558	11,022 Below plan
<i>Net</i>	(31,585)	4,348	35,933 Negative variance to budget

Income: Year-to-Date (YTD) actual income is \$46,955 below budget (or 5.4% below budget). As of the end of October, income was \$40,100, or 4.9%, below budget. The following components impacted the income position through the end of November: Regular Contributions (Current-Year Pledges, Prior-Year Pledges, Seasonal Offerings and Unspecified Offerings) ended the month \$46,626 below its \$591,648 YTD budget, or 7.9% below budget. At the end of October, Regular Contributions were \$48,100, or 8.8%, below budget. Current Year Pledges, the largest of the components in Regular Contributions, are \$44,984 below budget through the end of November. At the end of October, Current Year Pledges were \$47,800 below budget.

Facilities Income: Actuals trail budget by \$974, reflecting the timing of rental payments. The year-to-date budget is \$75,960.

Special Contributions: The General Purposes category contains the one-time gifts from the Rector's Annual appeal and usually accounts for a significant portion of the balance in this account. However, in April, we received a refund from the IRS of taxes that were overpaid in 2020. That income was booked to the General Purposes account and contributes to the \$11,762 positive variance relative to budget.

Expenses: YTD expenses are \$11,022, or 1.3%, below budget. As of the end of October, expenses were \$1,200, or 0.1%, below budget. The consistent change from the reports earlier in the year is that most of the expense categories are above budget. The categories with the greatest variances are:

Property: Actuals exceed budget by \$12,305, compared to a budget of \$110,787. Water, General Maintenance and Repairs, and Lawn Care/Grounds are the sub-categories contributing to the negative Property variance.

Personnel: Now is \$27,400 less than budget.

Annual Reports 2026

A reminder that the individual Annual Reports from committee heads are due on **Monday, January 5**. The full annual report will be available on either Sunday, January 18 or the day of the meeting on January 25. Thank you!

WARRANT
St. James's
Episcopal Church
will hold its
Annual Meeting
after the 9:30
service on
Sunday,
January 25
in the year 2026

All parishioners are
asked to attend

Mission & Outreach

Christmas Gifts Update...

For Parkville Children

MANY thanks to those who participated in the Christmas gifts for the Parkville children and families served by the Grace Church Food Pantry. Your response was overwhelming again this year. There were 82 St. James's families who provided gifts for 180 children from the Grace Church food pantry, which is a substantial increase from last year. Your continued generosity makes Christmas morning very special for these children and their families. Thank you!

Christmas Bags & Winter Coats

THANK you to all who donated men's boot socks and toiletries to the annual Christmas Bag collection. We delivered 125 Christmas bags to The Open Hearth, and 85 were delivered to the Walter McKinney Men's Shelter in Hartford for a total of 205 Christmas Bags. Through Thanksgiving, we collected 35 winter coats, and delivered them to the Hartford Catholic Worker who then distributed them to the Clark Street community. Thank you very much for your support!

St. James's "Embrace" Ministry

THE Embrace Ministry invites people into God's love through acts big and small. Weekly phone calls, cards/letters, friendly visits to those unable to leave home, or help with light chores or transportation are all ways we may be of help. If you are a parishioner or know of a parishioner who may benefit from our ministry, please contact Susan Ritz (860-904-8588) or Marilyn Thomlinson (860-372-1193) for further information.

Chef Ministry

CHEF Ministry for expanding/changing/evolving families! This is chance for the St. James's family to help "feed their sheep". Thank you to all of the wonderful volunteer chefs who cook on demand. If you know of any family that is welcoming a new family member (not just a birth!) or having a life event where they might need a bit of support (taking care of a loved one, dealing with a loss, etc.) please let Martha Parish know so that CHEF Ministry can reach out and provide a meal or three. Please email or text so a member of our church family can help out and ease the burden. mach1goon@gmail.com, 978-505-1333.

Hartford Catholic Worker Food Pantry

ST. JAMES'S is currently asking for bi-weekly donations for the following items for the Hartford Catholic Worker: **tuna fish, mayo, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, bags or boxes of pasta, and canned hearty stews.** Donations can be left at the cloister door Monday through Friday 9:00a-4p. If you are dropping off after hours, please place donations in the rubber bin in front of the cloister door! Monetary donations are also accepted to help purchase these items. Just note "HCW Food Pantry" in memo line.

Around the Parish

Shrove Tuesday & Ash Wednesday

February 17 & 18

THE Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper will be held on **February 17 at 5:30pm** in the dining room. A St. James's family tradition to usher in the Lenten season. Ash Wednesday follows on **February 18** with services at 7am in the chapel followed by breakfast in the parish room; 12:10 and 7pm in the church. All with imposition of ashes. Invite someone to church that day! **Note:** Holy Eucharist is celebrated every Wednesday at 7am in the chapel followed by breakfast in the parish room. All are welcome!

Men's Discussion Group

Second and Fourth Saturdays

A group of men from Saint James's and a few from other churches meet twice monthly on the second and fourth Saturdays for about an hour beginning at 8:00 am in the parish room for discussion of topics related to religion or ethics. Typically, the discussion is led by one of the group members. The discussion group meets next on **Saturdays, January 10 and 24; and February 7 and 21.** Bob Burnett chairs the group. Interested? Contact him at robert.burnett@comcast.net for further info. Coffee and other refreshments are provided at each meeting.

Coffee Hour Volunteer Hosts Needed

Volunteers are needed throughout the school year to prepare the coffee, bake and/or buy snacks, set up before, and clean up afterward. A second person makes hosting twice as much fun, so invite someone to join you and make it a team effort. Hosts will receive instructions ahead of their assigned shift. If you can't host, please consider contributing a homemade or store-bought baked good, fruit, or other food item. Please indicate what you are bringing in the "My Comment" section of the sign-up so the host(s) can plan accordingly. Thanks in advance to everyone for your faithful support of our Sunday fellowship. Any questions, contact Mary Goeldner at marykirk@gmail.com. Sign up at www.stjwh.org/coffee.

Coffee Hour Forum

Sunday, January 18

January 18

"Martin Luther King, Jr."

Join us in the parish hall after the 9:30 service for a forum on the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. We will reflect on his life and work in preparation for our MLK Day of Service on Monday, January 19.

Forums are held in the parish hall (unless otherwise stated) at 11am with coffee and refreshments provided.



St. James's Flower Guild

If you love arranging flowers or would like to learn, here is a new way to be involved in the liturgical life of the parish. Every member of St. James's who feels called to share their creative gifts can sign up to arrange the altar flowers for one or more upcoming Sundays. For those interested in participating but who would benefit from instruction, there will be opportunities for both design classes and one-on-one guidance. Please sign up for the Sundays you would like to arrange the altar flowers. There are two slots available for each Sunday: one for a leader and one for a learner. If you prefer to work alone, that is also welcome. You can sign up by clicking on this link: www.stjwh.org/flowerguild. Please note there are no flowers during Advent; Christmas flowers are a team effort. Please see the bulletins for a list of responsibilities.

Martin Luther King Forum followed by a Day of Service

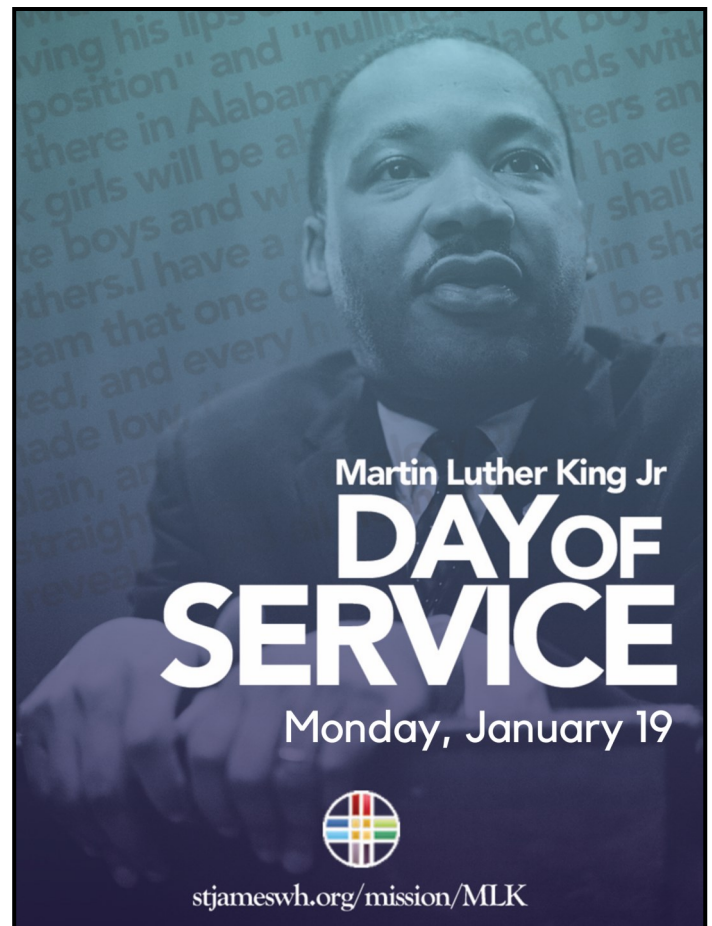
Sunday, January 18 / Monday, January 19

EACH year on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, we coordinate a number of volunteer opportunities for all ages. This is a great way to make this a 'day on' instead of just a 'day off'. This year's day of service will be held **Monday, January 19, 2026**. This year we are helping Journey Home move families into new homes. **Signup at <https://signup.com/go/PLYbwWS>.**

Before the service day, we will gather for a Coffee Hour Forum on the life and work of Dr. King at 11am in the Parish Hall on **Sunday, January 18**. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

4th Friday Family Night

Family night resumes! We will meet on **Fridays, January 23 and February 27** and every fourth Friday of the month at 5:30pm in the parish hall. An Evite for RSVPs will be sent out as we get closer to the date of each gathering. If you're new to 4th Fridays and want to be added to the list, please email Liz Normand (e.julia.ernst@gmail.com). All are welcome, and please bring a friend!



SAVE THE DATE!

ST. JAMES'S
ANNUAL...

Saturday, February 7
6-9pm

Potluck Pub Fare,
Bring your favorites to
share!

Serving beer, wine, and soda

St. James's Episcopal Church
West Hartford Center / In the Parish Hall

PUB TRIVIA NIGHT



Registry and Readings

Parish Birthdays

Children and Youth

JANUARY

Laila Chacra, 1
Wilder Dempsey, 4
Cora Giuffrida, 6
Lucy Adams, 9
Caroline Bowman, 13
Lyla Maguire, 14
Magnolia Corrigan, 22
Amelia Chenault, 24
Harry Keating, 26



Lauren Howland, 4
James O'Sullivan, 4
Bryson Tagliavini, 4
Carol Conca, 5
Virginia Collin, 7
Henry Chenault, 7
Benjamin Lawrence, 13
Harriet Busse, 19
Makenzie Gallagher, 20
Nate Meyer, 21
Elizabeth O'Sullivan, 22
Gwendolyn Wills, 23
Lillian Tagliavini, 25

FEBRUARY

Declan Hart, 2
Jack Bowman, 3

Parish Prayer List

Those in our parish family

Jeffrey, Greg, Elsa, Michael, Elly, Chuck, Sue, Tom, Chris,
Rachael, Eileen, Nancy Jo, Fran.

Those in our extended parish family

Jeff, Joanie, Teresa, Audra, Ann, Patricia, Carrie, John & Rita,
Tavern, Mohan, Barbara, Hudson, Guy, Stephen, Clark,
Sydney, Clare, Leo, Denise, Javier, Janet, Sue & Claudia, Larry,
Gretchen, Denise, Jocelyn, Forrest, Laticia, Suzanne, Karen J.,
Charlie & Jean, Linda.

Those Serving in the Military

Andrew Clark and Chad Trottier.

Sunday Lectionary

Second Sunday of Christmas, January 4

Jeremiah 31:7-14; Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a
Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23; Psalm 84 or 84:1-8

The Baptism of Our Lord, January 11

Isaiah 42:1-9; Acts 10:34-43
Matthew 3:13-17; Psalm 29

Second Sunday after the Epiphany, January 18

Isaiah 49:1-7; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9
John 1:29-42; Psalm 40:1-12

Third Sunday after the Epiphany, January 25

Isaiah 9:1-4; 1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Matthew 4:12-23; Psalm 27:1, 5-13

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany, February 1

Micah 6:1-8; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31
Matthew 5:1-12; Psalm 15

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany, February 8

Isaiah 58:1-9a, [9b-12]; 1 Corinthians 2:1-12, [13-16]
Matthew 5:13-20; Psalm 112:1-9, (10)

Last Sunday after the Epiphany, February 15

Exodus 24:12-18; 2 Peter 1:16-21
Matthew 17:1-9; Psalm 2

Ash Wednesday, February 18

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17; 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21; Psalm 103 or 103:8-14

First Sunday in Lent, February 25

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19
Matthew 4:1-11; Psalm 32

Women Of St. James's January/February 2026



Tuesday, January 6

Dr. Ruth Mitman

"Understanding Generational Differences or How to Talk
to Your Grandchildren" (*Winter Picnic*)

Tuesday, January 20

Kimberly Gulino, Animal Control Officer Supervisor, Town of West Hartford

"Working with Animals and Safety" (*Bag Lunch*)

Tuesday, February 3

"Silent Auction with Eleanor Brazell" Please bring a
suitable item(s) for auction. (*Valentine Buffet*)

Tuesday, February 17

The Rev. Bob Hooper, rector

"Parish Update" (*Shrove Tuesday Feast*)

January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Happy New Year! POC 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR	2 POC 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	3 7:00 PM AA Group—DR
4 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II w/Livestream—Church 9:30 KFC (Kids for Christ) - PH 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 11:00 AM Coffee Hour—PH	5 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 4:00 PM Monday Music & More 5:30 PM Chorister Rehearsal	6 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 PM Women of St. James's—DR	7 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	8 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR	9 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	10 8:00 AM Men's Disc Group-PR 7:00 PM AA Group—DR
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18 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 8:35 AM Prepare for South Park Inn 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II & Livestream—Church 9:30 KFC (Kids for Christ) - PH 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 11:00 AM Coffee Hour Forum —PH	19 MLK Day—POC MLK Day of Service 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR	20 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 PM Women of St. James's—DR 7:00 PM Vestry—PR	21 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist—McAuley 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	22 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR	23 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	24 8:00 AM Men's Disc Group-PR 5:30 PM Chili Cookoff—PH 7:00 PM AA Group—DR
25 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II w/ Livestream—Church 9:30 KFC (Kids for Christ) - PH 11:00 AM Annual Meeting—Church	26 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 4:00 PM Monday Music & More 5:30 PM Chorister Rehearsal	27 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	28 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	29 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR	30 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	31 7:00 PM AA Group—DR

February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II w/ Livestream—Church 9:30 KFC (Kids for Christ) - PH 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 11:00 Coffee Hour—PH	2 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 4:00 PM Monday, Music & More 5:30 PM Chorister Rehearsal	3 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR	4 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	5 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR	6 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	7 6:00 PM Trivia Night—PH 7:00 PM AA Group—DR
8 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 8:30 AM Prepare for Loaves and Fishes 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II w/ Livestream 9:30 KFC (Kids for Christ) - PH 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 11:00 AM Coffee Hour 5:00 PM Youth Group 7:00 PM Let There Be Light, Concert—Church	9 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 11:30 AM Serve for Loaves and Fishes 4:00 PM Monday, Music & More 5:30 PM Chorister Rehearsal	10 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	11 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	12 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR	13 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	14 7:00 PM AA Group—DR
15 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 8:30 AM Prepare for South Park Inn 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II w/ Livestream—Church 9:30 KFC (Kids for Christ) - PH 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 11:00 AM Coffee Hour—PH 5:00 PM Choral Evensong with St John's at St John's	16 President's Day—POC 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 11:30 AM Serve for Loaves and Fishes	17 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR 5:30 PM Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper—DR	18 Ash Wednesday 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist w/ Imp of Ashes—Chapel 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist—McAuley 12:10 PM Holy Eucharist w/ Imp of Ashes—Church 6:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM Holy Eucharist w/ Imp of Ashes—Church	19 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM FOODSHARE	20 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	21 7:00 PM AA Group—DR
22 LENT I 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II w/ Livestream—Church 9:30 KFC (Kids for Christ) - PH 11:00 AM Coffee Hour—PH	23 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 4:00 PM Monday, Music & More 5:30 PM Chorister Rehearsal	24 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	25 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel	26 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR	27 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	28 7:00 PM AA Group—DR

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