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news from St. James's

From the Rector's Desk

As we prepare to enter the season of Lent, I have been thinking about the fact that most Episcopal churches have a corporate/communal confession as part of their Eucharistic liturgy on most Sundays, with the exceptions of baptisms and the Easter season. The Episcopal Church does provide for private confession with an individual, and a priest to hear the confession and pronounce absolution. This, although not very common in The Episcopal Church, can be done by using the Office of Reconciliation as provided for in The Book of Common Prayer. It has been my practice over the years to offer private confessions at all times and especially during Lent, although few people have availed themselves of it. If you are interested, or feel so called, please contact me or Charlotte LaForest.

The General Confession used during the typical Sunday Eucharistic liturgy, I believe, plays a very important role in helping remind us of our need to acknowledge that not everything we do is a manifestation of the Grace of God that is so freely and abundantly given. In The Episcopal Church there are a number of General Confessions offered, but the one that I think speaks most clearly is the one that we use at St. James's on a regular basis.

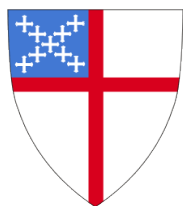
God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the Evil We Have Done, and the Evil Done On Our Behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

This particular confession acknowledges in the very first line that we often fall short of all that God has blessed us with, and then makes it clear that our treatment of others is frequently the way by which we do this. The other piece of this confession that I find very important is the statement, the Evil We Have Done, and the Evil Done On Our Behalf. These words remind us that we need to remember that our inactions can be just as dangerous and damaging as our actions. In other words, the sins of omission and commission.

While the spiritual realities of sin in our lives is not something I tend to focus on very frequently, I do believe that it is liberating to remind ourselves that we are called through our Baptismal Covenant "to persevere in resisting evil, and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord." It is also a powerful spiritual discipline to acknowledge our failings and to know that God will guide us in living fuller and more grace-filled lives.

So, in the words read during the Ash Wednesday liturgy, "I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word. And, to make a right beginning..."

Bob



To Learn, Live and Teach the Values
of the Gospel of Jesus Christ

March/April 2019

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Highlights in March/April

- **Sundays, March 3 & April 7** Celtic Worship at St. John's, 4:30pm
- **Tuesday, March 5** Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, 5:30pm
- **Wednesday, March 6** Ash Wednesday Services, 7am, 12:10 and 7pm w/Imposition of Ashes
- **Saturday, March 9** "Hear My Prayer" / Works of Mendelssohn presented by the St. James's choir with orchestra, 7pm
- **Sunday, March 10** Rhythms of Grace Service, 4pm
- **Sunday, March 10, 17, 24, 31 and April 7** Lenten Forums, 11am
- **Sunday, March 10, 17, 24, 31 and April 7** Service of Compline, 7pm
- **Thursday, March 14, 21, 28, April 4 and 11** Soup Lunch & Book Study, noon
- **Tuesday, April 2** Vienna Boys Choir, 7pm
- **Sunday, April 14** Palm Sunday Easter Basket Event, 11:30am
- **Sunday, April 14-21** Holy Week (see page 8)
- **Saturday, April 28** Mission Trip Car Wash

From the Assistant Rector

Dear Community of St. James's,
As of the writing of this letter, the commitment deadline for the youth mission trip has just passed. We anticipate fifteen youth and adults journeying together to the Chimborazo Province in Ecuador to work with the Partners for Andean Community Health in their clinic in Riobamba. There is a lot of work ahead for all of us as we prepare for the trip in July, and we would be grateful for your support along the way. Thank you for all of the ways you continue to support the youth of our parish!

Charlotte +

Here are some ways you can support St. James's Youth Mission Trip To Ecuador:

1. Pray for everyone going on the mission trip, as we make our preparations, and for safety while we travel. Pray for our time in Ecuador, that we would encounter God in new ways as we serve the people of Chimborazo Province and assist the FIBUSPAM clinic. Pray for the people of Ecuador.
2. Participate in car washes and any other fundraising events organized by our youth throughout the spring and early summer. Get to know our youth, get a clean car, and have some fun too!
3. Donate to our fundraising efforts (you knew this was coming!). We will need to raise a significant amount of money to make this trip possible and can't do it without your help. There are several ways you can donate:
 - **Facebook Fundraising Page:** Facebook is one of the only free platforms for nonprofit online fundraising—there is no cost to donate, and no cost to the nonprofit.
<https://www.facebook.com/donate/397274257512760/>
 - **CrowdRise Fundraising Page:** For those who don't have a Facebook account but want to donate online, CrowdRise is the non-profit branch of GoFundMe, and donors can contribute to our fundraising campaign for a small transaction fee (2.9%).
<https://www.crowdrise.com/o/en/campaign/youth-mission-trip-to-ecuador>
 - Send a check with Mission Trip in the memo line made out to St. James's Episcopal Church.
4. Share our posts and fundraising pages on social media. Email or write to friends and family asking them to support our trip. Make it personal. Include photos. Invite others to be a part of this work God has called us to do together this year.
5. Ask your company if they would be willing to make a tax-deductible donation or participate in a matching challenge as a sponsor for our trip. This may be of particular interest for companies in the healthcare, pharmaceutical, or insurance industries, but others may be interested as well.



Confirm not Conform

Classes held on Sundays in the Youth Room

March 10

Confirmation Class #10 at 11am

April 7

Confirmation Class #11 at 11am

Youth Events March/April

Sunday, March 24

Youth Group at the Movies!
5-7pm

Sunday, April 14

Youth Group, 5-7pm

Sunday, April 28

Mission Trip Car Wash
(Time TBD)

**Do your homework early
and invite a friend!**



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PASTORAL CARE WORKSHOPS

at St. James's Episcopal Church in West Hartford

Saturday, March 9

Fundamentals of Pastoral Care (with optional
Lay Eucharistic Visitor Training)
10:00am -12:00pm

Saturday, April 13

Special Issues in Pastoral Care:
Dementia and End of Life
10:00am -12:00pm

For more information or to register email The Rev. Charlotte LaForest at
assistant@stjameswh.org

From the Organist & Choirmaster

Dear Parishioners,

Please join us on Saturday, March 9 at 7pm for the choir's annual concert with orchestra. This year we will feature choral works of Felix Mendelssohn, one of Western music's greatest composers and musicians. The concert is free and open to the public, so please invite your family, friends and neighbors!

For a long time, especially into the 20th century, critics relegated Mendelssohn's music to an invisible second tier. Wildly popular works like *Elijah* - his large oratorio for choir, orchestra and soloists - were said to be melodramatic, even saccharine. And it is true that *Elijah* conveys the incredible drama in the stories which the music sets. The score is stylistically grand, flashy, and magnificent, representing music of the period, yet *Elijah* and other 'hits' like his incidental music to *A Midsummer Night's Dream* have been audience favorites since their writing. Our concert will close with three choruses from *Elijah*: "Thanks Be To God!"; "He Watching Over Israel"; and "And Then Shall Your Light Break Forth!".

I am also excited to feature another dimension of Mendelssohn's music: his homage to J. S. Bach and the baroque. Widely credited with reintroducing Bach's music to concert audiences and musicians alike, Mendelssohn became smitten with Bach's choral music early in his life whilst preparing to conduct the St. Matthew Passion. Taking inspiration from the form and style of Bach's passion settings, he composed a set of eight sacred cantatas for choir, soloists and orchestra. In our concert we will perform his setting of the Passion Chorale and the *Agnus Dei*.

As a bonus, the orchestra will perform the first of Mendelssohn's 12 string symphonies, written at age 12. The C Major is youthful and effervescent, showing off Mendelssohn's prodigious childhood talent. Other works will include his famous setting of *Hear My Prayer* for soprano soloist, choir and organ, and *Verleih' uns Frieden* for choir and strings.



Sundays in Lent

March 10—April 7

Service of Compline, 7pm

Concerts at St. James's

Saturday, March 9

"Hear My Prayer"

Choral Music of
Felix Mendelssohn, 7pm
(with orchestra)

Tuesday, April 2

The Vienna Boys Choir, 7-10pm

The only Connecticut
appearance! Tickets: \$20-\$65
www.stjameswh.org

Jubilate Deo!

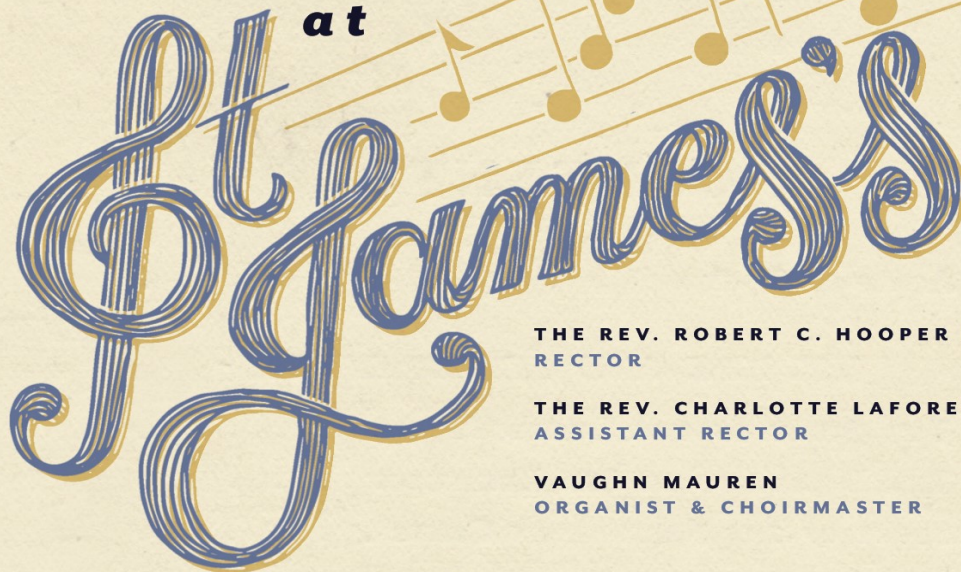
O be joyful in the
Lord all ye lands;
serve the Lord with
gladness and come
before his presence
with a song.

Psalms 100:1

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2018 – 2019

CONCERTS at



THE REV. ROBERT C. HOOPER III
RECTOR

THE REV. CHARLOTTE LAFOREST
ASSISTANT RECTOR

VAUGHN MAUREN
ORGANIST & CHOIRMASTER

SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 24, 2019, 4:00 PM

Owen Young, cello & Alan Murchie, piano

Mark your calendar to hear cellist Owen Young (member of the Boston Symphony Orchestra) and pianist Alan Murchie in recital.

Tickets: \$20 adults, \$10 seniors and students, available at the door (no advance sales).

SATURDAY
MARCH 9, 2019, 7:00 PM

“Hear My Prayer” Choral Music of Felix Mendelssohn

The Choir of St James's Episcopal Church with members of The Hartford Symphony Orchestra; Vaughn Mauren, conductor.

Beautifully composed, with Romantic harmonies and grand sweeps of melody overlaying Classical and Baroque forms, the choral music of Felix Mendelssohn is treasured by choral singers and a delightful experience for listeners, especially those who may not be familiar with Mendelssohn's vocal music.

No tickets are required for this special concert.

TUESDAY
APRIL 2, 2019, 7:00 PM

The Vienna Boys Choir in Concert

Concerts at St James's will present the only Connecticut appearance of the Vienna Boys Choir when the famed ensemble tours the United States in spring of 2019.

The Vienna Boys Choir has become so popular that most of its concerts are now performed in civic auditoriums and performance centers that can accommodate very large audiences. When the boys perform at St James's in West Hartford, their pure voices will be heard in the natural acoustic of a church sanctuary, a space that is a “natural” for choral music.

Tickets: \$20-\$65 on sale now at Eventbrite or stjameswh.org. A seating chart is shown at that link. Concerts by the Vienna Boys Choir usually sell out; early ticket purchase is advised. Boys Choir appears by arrangement with Opus 3 Artists.

FRIDAY
MAY 31, 2019, 7:00 PM

Vaughn Mauren, organist

Vaughn Mauren plays the re-dedictory recital of the church's recently rebuilt and enlarged Austin Organ. Organ music of Imperial Great Britain.

Free concert/no tickets.



St. James's Center for Family Ministries



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

KFC (Kids for Christ) Sundays at 9:30

*Young children age 3
through elementary school
are welcome to gather in the
narthex (main foyer) for
Sunday School. They return
during the Peace.*

Rhythms of Grace

*A different kind of worship
for children and families
set in the Anglican
Tradition! Our next
service will be held on
Sunday, March 10 at 4pm
with Priscilla Hooper.*



Bring a Friend to Church 6

I was recently reading an article in Oprah Magazine about how people, or in this case, women, were more stressed now than ever before. As I read the article, I couldn't help but think that some of the stress that people feel today could be helped, if not solved by being connected to others in a real way. So many relationships that people have now are relationships that are transactional—a boss who approves of you if you meet your quota; a coach that likes you as long as you score goals; a teacher that likes you as long as you do well on the Aims web test; a friend who hangs out with you as long as you can help him or her up the social ladder. All people have relationships like this, but they are not meaningful or fulfilling. They don't sustain you when times are tough. When I was reading this article in Oprah, I wanted to scream at the magazine, "You could all solve this unhappiness and lack of fulfillment if you found a strong supportive community of faith!" I realize that finding a loving, supportive community of faith can be a challenge and that all are not that way, but I feel that we have that here at St. James's and for that I am forever grateful. The following are just some examples of our supportive faith community that I witnessed:

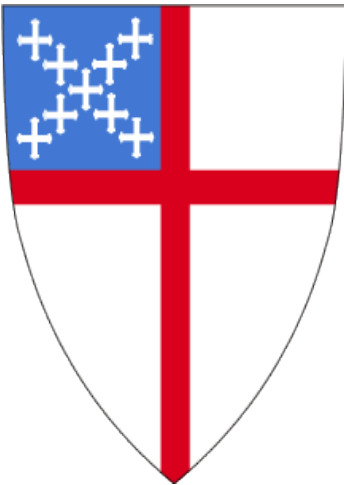
- An eighth grade boy who helped me with KFC (Kids for Christ) without being asked. He has grown up in the parish and was a great role model when I had 16 boys and 3 girls and a lesson planned about love.
- A parishioner who saw Charlotte LaForest walking into church with the twins and August, and helped carry one of the twins to the nursery.
- A kindergartener who shared his Legos with a preschooler in the pews, even sharing his most favorite Darth Vader Lego.

- A man who was not related who gave encouragement to a new acolyte who was nervous.
- Two families who created a beautiful spread for Coffee Hour that was enjoyed by everyone.
- Beautiful flowers lovingly created by Maryann Haar, to commemorate the lives of those in our community who have died.

These are just a few of the things I observed on one cold Sunday in February. There is so much more. Here at St. James's we all have ways we can contribute to the celebration. We are all included in this great big circle of love that as we participate, restores us. When you become an active member of St. James's you become a much loved, essential part of the body of Christ. Doing God's work in the world about us, and right here on Sunday mornings as well.

Your sister in Christ,

Vestry Corner



The Vestry Nominating Committee and St. James's welcomes the following new and existing members of our Vestry and Officers for 2019:

Claire Burnett	Senior Warden	Term Ending 2020
David Dynowski	Junior Warden	Bob Burnett
Kimberly Lytle	Clerk	Rob Duncan
Harry Meyer	Treasurer	Matt Schott
		Meredith Willson
Term Ending 2021		
Bruce Adams		Term Ending 2022
Amy Messinger		Jane Good
Thomas Rouse		Greg Jacobs
Judith Stahl		Chris Keesling
		Kerri Raissian

Stewardship Thank You 2019!

The following parishioners have pledged for 2019. New pledgers are in italics.

Bob & Betsy Smith, Bob & Nancy Jo Hoffman, David & Sara Hadden, Ron Coons, Doug Compton, Bryan & Terry Wysong, Bruce & Donna Tompkins, Mike Shuey, Kimberly Goodrich, Robert Freeburger, Nick & Lauren Forcello, David & Priscilla Thomas, Borden & Ann Painter, Judy Lawes, Bernie Wilbur, Gale & Donna Mattison, Essie Womble, Bill & Judy Thompson, Terry & Kathy Sofrin, Fran Cobb, Susan Cooley, Cynthia B. Clifford, Geraldine Smalley, Hope Lennartz & Solange Rossignol, Edie Booth, Carol Hunt, Eddie Jacovino & Elizabeth Porter, Richard & Margaret Brown, Bob & Priscilla Hooper, Raymond & Elizabeth Payne, Joyce Runge, Allen & Terri Thomalla, Derrick & Kristen Kirsch, Curtis Roessler, Bob & Lynne Holloway, Barbara Ulrich, John & Brenda Barrows, Laura Ahrens, Edward & Melissa Brown, Tom & Rita Neal, Kenneth & Susan Gutierrez, Petra B. Shearer, Hunter & Debra Morton, Norman & Joan Kayser, Daphne Wilcox, Peter & Trudy Thompson, Dean & Ann Uphoff, John & Francie Bergquist, Bruce & Lee Adams, Bob Bausmith & Jill Peters-Gee, Dean & Kathy Bolt, Jan Bonner, Elizabeth Cloud, Doug & Ann Cooke, Sandra DeCelles, Laura DeLaCruz, Tom & Rachael Desmond, Rob Duncan & Chuck Kinney, Mark & Cheri Evans, Anna-Emily Gaupp, Gregory & Jennifer Jacobs, Bette Kelly, David & Virginia Kramer, Sue Nelson, Joseph & Jennifer Long, Diane Mack & Robin Gilmartin, Robert & Renée McCue, Harry Meyer, Barry & Nancy Miller, Judy Nellen, Ted & Ronni Newton, Ben & Martha Parish, Sam & Michele Paul, Jonathan & Cheryl Pease, Matt Pinckney & Liisa Kuhn, *Charlotte & Eric LaForest*, Chuck Russo, Tom Rouse & Susan Powers, Stephen & Lois Schneeberger, Michael & Hilary Sherrill, Audrey Lamy, Bill & Judith Stahl, Richard M. Wenner, John & Cheryl Wadsworth, Loretta Waldman, Ron Ward, Andrew & Pamela Ponichtera, Lynne Lumsden & Jon Harden, Michael & Linda Fournier, Mark & Michelle Stafford, Nicholas Busse & Barbara Rua, Jeffrey & Kimberly Moore, Donna Kluczewicz, Robert & Claire Burnett, Eunice Heinlein, Alex Smith & Christine Pina, Peter & Melissa Bowman, Daniel & Ellen Dollar, *Gretchen Hall*, Nathalie Mascolo, Connie Duva, Tim Chambers & Molly Bennett, Travis & Kimberly Lytle, Paul & Josephine Mangiafico, Chuck & Meredith Willson, *Karen Ericson*, *Chris & Louise Keesling*, Bill & Nora Harris, Patrick Coll & Bonny Slim, Tim Galante & Tammi Flowers, David Marshall, David & Joyce Jackson, Betsy Curtler & Robert Sedivy, Tony & Kerri Raissian, *John & Jessica Tagliarini*, Stephan & Lesley Toutain, Jane Good, David & Samantha Dynowski, Adam Fisher & Abby Williamson, Colin & Heather Swales, Bob Skenderian, Paul & Diane Duva, Eleanor Brazell, Greg & Judy Hock, Christopher & Christina Wilson, Mayrita Trojanowski, David & Amy Messinger, Eleanor Michael & Joey Meyer, Jeff and Janet Lankin, Robert Fawber, Leon Fraser & Marilyn Tomlinson, Deirdre Penland, Mark Moyle, Carol McDermott, Mary Ann Haar, Peter & Chris Peterson, *Lisa Shubitowski*, Robert Vietzke & Kate Robinson, Mark & Cindy Welch, Jonathan Lewis & Kate Jackson, Ken & Eileen Jackson, Peter & Anna Ciccone, Ian & Janet Duncan, *James & Noreen Pfadenhauer*, Jennifer Ferrang, Rafael & Elizabeth Gallegos, Roberta S. Cosby, Peter & Judith Krzyzek, Jerrod & Maureen Bowman, David & Jennifer Lemanski, Matt & Liz Schott, John & Machele Rosenlieb, Rob Healy & Jessica Henning, Chan & Barbara Schiller, Norma Hattings, David & Michelle Colburn, DJ & Jeanne DiGiacomo, Louise Strillacci, Larry & Peg Howard, Brad & Liz Normand, Nell Walker, John & Elizabeth Waterman, *Betsy Tonkin*, Hugh & Jan Whelan, Elsa Walberg, *Eric & Inger Knutzen*, Jocelyn Ehn, John & Rachel Granquist, Hugh MacGillis & Susan Ritz, Kevin & Lisa Swan, Will & Trish Tomlinson, *Bud Bedingfield & Dayan Lutz*, and Michelle Clapsaddle.

Lenten & Holy Week Happenings

LITURGIES & HOLY WEEK 2019

7am Morning Prayer in the Chapel (except Wed)

Tuesday 11:30am Eucharist/Healing Service in the Chapel
WOSJ Luncheon follows at 12:15 in the Dining Room

Wednesday 7am Eucharist in the Chapel
Breakfast follows in the Parish Room

COMPLINE

7pm Service of Compline (March 10-April 7)

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 14

10am Eucharist & Sung Passion (No 8am service)

HOLY TUESDAY, APRIL 16

11:30am Holy Eucharist/Healing Service

HOLY WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

7am Holy Eucharist followed by Breakfast

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 18

7PM Holy Eucharist & Supper

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 19

12noon GF Liturgy at St. John's w/ St. James's

1pm New Testament Reading & Vigil in Chapel

7pm GF Liturgy at St. James's w/ St. John's

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 20

9am Easter Preparation at St. James's

7:30pm Easter Vigil at Christ Church Cathedral

EASTER SUNDAY

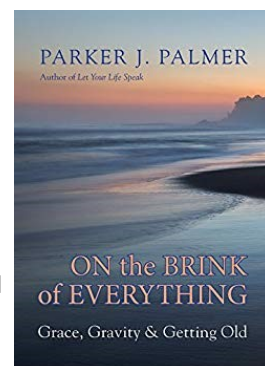
10AM Festal Eucharist

Followed by Easter Egg Hunt & Mimosas

Lenten Soup Lunch & Book Study

GATHER with others for a soup lunch and book study at noon in the parish room on Thursdays, March 14, 21, 28, April 4 and 11. We'll be reading the book, "On the Brink of Everything" from bestselling author Parker J. Palmer. "A brave and beautiful book for all who want to age reflectively, seeking new insights and life-giving ways to engage in the world. 'Age itself,' he says, 'is no excuse to wade in the shallows. It's a reason to dive deep and take creative risks.'"

Books are available in the parish office for \$12 or at Amazon.com and Barnes & Noble book stores.



New Testament Reading *Good Friday, April 19*

JOIN in as a reader or listener to the Gospels of Luke and John and the post Resurrection life of the church as told by Luke in the Acts of the Apostles. The reading begins at 1pm in the Kennedy Chapel on **Good Friday, April 19**. Reading is done in 20-minute segments. A signup sheet will be posted outside the parish office during Lent. If you have questions, contact Ron Ward: 860-463-8057 or email: rtwtmr@comcast.net.

Easter Preparations

MARY ANN HAAR could use your help with preparing the sanctuary for Easter on **Holy Saturday, April 20 at 9am**. Duties include arranging flowers and other altar preparations. Any amount of time you can give is greatly appreciated.

Walking the Talk: Living Our Baptismal Promises



March 10

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

Representative Jillian Gilchrest, with student filmmakers Haleigh Stewart and Sarah Olender, on Human Trafficking in Connecticut



March 17

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

The Rev. Andrew Y. Moore, Priest in Charge of St. Andrew's, Richmond, Virginia on Good News for Today's World



March 24

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

Sophronia Scott, Author of *This Child of Faith: Raising a Spiritual Child in a Secular World* on Parenting after Sandy Hook



March 31

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

Chris and Jackie Allen-Doucot from Hartford Catholic Worker on serving our neighbors in the North End of Hartford and at the US/Mexico Border



April 7

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

The Rev. Bob Hooper and The Rev. Charlotte LaForest on Ancient Creeds for Modern Believers

Mission

Easter Basket Event

Palm Sunday, April 14

DURING the month of March we'll begin our toiletry collection for our annual Easter Basket event to be held on **Palm Sunday, April 14**. Each year we fill close to 200 baskets and bags for women, men, and families in local shelters. Please donate full-sized, or even family-sized: shampoo, conditioner, moisturizer, body wash, toothpaste, deodorant, and soap, as well as smaller personal care items such as razors, toothbrushes, combs, and nail kits. This annual mission project is very much appreciated by our friends in need who don't always have the means to purchase personal hygiene products. Join in the fun of sorting and packing these items into beautiful basket arrangements on **Palm Sunday, April 14** after the 10:00 service. Please involve your children as this is an all-ages event! There will be no Christian Formation that day. Coffee and other refreshments will be served.

Spring Flower Sale

Palm Sunday, April 14

THE spring flower sale will be held again this year on **Palm Sunday, April 14** after the 10:00 service. Doug Compton will have beautiful Easter lilies for sale to brighten your home and garden. All proceeds will benefit the St. James's Feeding Programs.



Food Pantry Ongoing Needs

The WH Food Pantry is in most need of the following items: canned vegetables and soups, pasta sauce, peanut butter, apple sauce, vegetable oil, dried pasta, canned beans and baked beans, and canned tuna. Bring your donations to the church and place them at any of the three entrances to the building. Remember to check expiration dates!

Walk Against Hunger 2019

Starting Point—Dunkin Donuts Park, Hartford

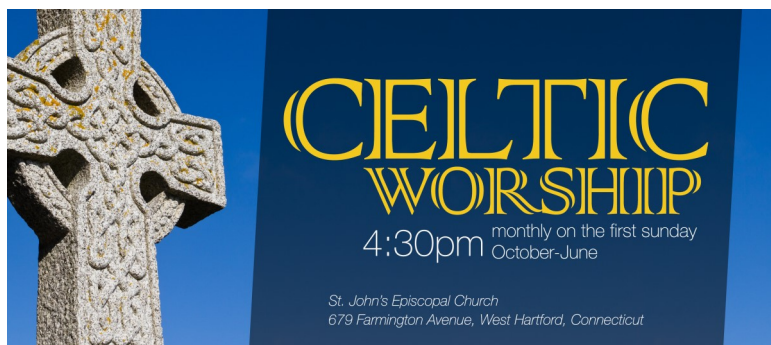
THE 36th Annual Walk Against Hunger will be held on **Saturday, April 27, 2019** and step off at Hartford's Dunkin Donuts Park—home of the Hartford Yard Goats! Registration and walk times will be forthcoming. For more information go to www.foodshare.org. Mark your calendar today!

Around the Parish

Men's Discussion Group

Second and Fourth Saturdays

ALL men of the parish and guests are invited to a discussion group on **Saturdays, March 9 and 23; April 13 and 27** beginning at 8:00am in the parish room. Various religious topics are presented and refreshments are provided.



Celtic Worship

Sundays, March 3 and April 7

EXPERIENCE worship in the Celtic tradition on **Sundays, March 3 and April 7 at 4:30pm** at St. John's Church in West Hartford. Chant, silence, prayer, and music from around the world are incorporated into the service. Celtic Worship is offered every first Sunday of the month from October through June. We hope that you will join us!

Fourth Fridays Family Night

March 22 and April 26 at 5:30pm

OUR Family Nights continue every fourth Friday of the month, **March 22 and April 26**! Sometimes it's hard to find something different and fun to do with the kids on a Friday, so that's why Fourth Friday Family Nights is a perfect solution. We'll enjoy a pizza dinner and show a child-friendly movie for the kids afterwards. Adults can BYOB, and feel free to bring a side dish of your choice. It's a great opportunity to get together with church friends and let the kids get to know each other better, too. We ask for a donation of approximately \$5-10 per family to cover the pizza costs. If you'd like to attend, please email Abby.Williamson@gmail.com or Kerriraissian@gmail.com and we can put you on our Evite list to RSVP.

Shrove Tuesday

PANCAKE SUPPER
MARCH 5, 2019

5:30 in the parish hall
Bring your appetite and a friend!

Easter Flower Memorials

ENVELOPES for Easter flower memorials can be found in the pews of the church and chapel during Lent. Please use these envelopes to make your donations and requests in honor or in memory of loved ones, and place them in the collection plate. Names will be listed in the Easter bulletin.

Daylight Saving Time

DAYLIGHT Saving Time begins on **March 10!** Remember to turn your clocks ahead one hour Saturday evening, March 9.

Registry and Readings Baptisms

Katherine Elizabeth Pfadenhauer, January 12
Daughter of James and Noreen Pfadenhauer

Oliver Andrew Tewksbury, February 17
Son of Kevin and Kaelea Tewksbury

Natalie Grace Moore, March 3
Daughter of Jeffrey and Kimberly Moore

Vaughn Riley Smith, March 3
Son of Tyler and Courtney Smith

Isabelle Rose Vera, March 3
Daughter of Eduardo Vera and Jenelle Robida

Deaths

Elizabeth Payne
February 20, 2019

Parish Birthdays *Children and Youth*

MARCH

George Keating, 1
Charlie Lewis, 4
Margaret Adams, 6
Jillian Moore, 7
McAllister Raissian, 15
Ellis Brown, 20
John DeLibero, 26
Helen Lapointe, 27
Darcy Leichsenring, 27
Calvin Meyer, 30
Madeleine Schott, 30
Abigail Tapley, 31

APRIL

Andrew Lemanski, 1
Libby Sadler, 4
David Newman, 5
Maisie Accetta, 6
Natalie DeLaCruz, 9
Maeve Healy, 11
Patrick Keough, 12
Carter Morton, 13
Cate DiGiacomo, 15
Nora Willson, 15
Ryder Morton, 26
Kate Colburn, 27
Kari Flowers, 30
Arthur Smith, 30



Parish Prayer List

Those in our parish family

Jeffrey, Greg, Elsa, Michael, Margaret & Richard, Ruth, Stuart, Walter, Frank, Liz, Elly, Tom, Betsy, Melina & Family, Chuck, David, Sue, Will, Meg, Ed, Tom, David, and Nancy.

Those in our extended parish family

Maria, Kevin, Mary Ann, Jenifer, Nancy, Jeff, Carol, Christina, Jean, Jeff, Karen, David, Patricia, Quinn, Joanie, Teresa, Alvin, Karen, Audra, Parker & Cynthia, Ann, Kara, Patricia, Carrie, John & Rita, Barbara & Family, Tavern, Danielle & Cynthia, Robert, Mohan, Larry, Barbara, Hudson, Dave, Charlene, Pierre, Jeanne, Guy, Stephen, Eric, Clark, Sydney, Lauren, Clare, Leo, Ann, Kayleigh, Cathleen, and Carol.

Those Serving in the Military:

Andrew Clark, Wensley Barker IV, Julian C. Barker, Andrew Huntsman, Ed Vera, and Justin Hagemann.

Sunday Lectionary

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany, March 3

Exodus 34:29-35; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2
Luke 9:28-36, [37-43a]; Psalm 99

Ash Wednesday, March 6

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

The First Sunday of Lent, March 10

Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Romans 10:8b-13
Luke 4:1-13; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Second Sunday of Lent, March 17

Genesis 15:1-12,17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1
Luke 13:31-35; Psalm 27

Third Sunday of Lent, March 24

Exodus 3:1-15; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13
Luke 13:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8

Fourth Sunday of Lent, March 31

Joshua 5:9-12; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32; Psalm 32

Fifth Sunday of Lent, April 7

Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8; Psalm 126

Palm Sunday, April 14

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 22:14-23:56
Psalm 31:9-16

Easter Sunday, April 21

Acts 10:34-43; 1 Corinthians 15:19-26
John 20:1-18 or Luke 24:1-12; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Second Sunday of Easter, April 28

Acts 5:27-32; Revelation 1:4-8; John 20:19-31
Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150

Women Of St. James's March and April Programs



Tuesday, March 5

The Reverend Bob Hooper, Rector
Mardi Gras
Luncheon served by the clergy and staff

Tuesday, March 12

The Reverend Dr. Molly O. Loudon & the Reverend Susan Pinkerton
Pilgrims and the Holy Land

Tuesday, March 19

Abby Williamson
Welcoming New Americans: Safe Communities and Refugee Resettlement

Tuesday, March 26

Dana Stivers, Associate Executive Director & Chaplain
Incarnation Center, Ivoryton, CT

Tuesday, April 2

Heather Swales, M.D., Cardiologist (rescheduled)
Women and Heart Disease

Tuesday, April 9

The Reverend Dr. Borden W. Painter
The Vestry Comes to America

Tuesday, April 16

The Reverend Charlotte LaForest, Assistant Rector

Tuesday, April 23

Eric LaForest, Educator, Loomis Chaffee School
The American Civil War Revisited

Tuesday, April 30

Vernon Riddick, Jr., West Hartford Police Chief (rescheduled)
My Journey to Becoming Police Chief & Future Challenges

Spring Is Right Around the Corner...Hopefully!

*Followed by the Rummage Sale on
Friday & Saturday, May 17 & 18*



SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

Friday, May 17 and Saturday, May 18, 2019

Spring Cleaning Time

Spring is around the corner and we will soon begin planning for the rummage sale in May. As always, here are some guidelines as you begin gathering items for the sale:

- ♦ ***Items may be brought to the church basement beginning SATURDAY, MAY 11.*** Please do not bring anything in before that date.
- ♦ Shoes need to be new or nearly brand new.
- ♦ TV's (**made after 2004**), computers and any other electronic equipment ***must be in working condition.***
- ♦ Separate your rummage by category and label your boxes/bags accordingly; i. e. women's, men's, boys, girls, infants, books, shoes, etc. Many of you did this for the sales last year and it really made a difference.
- ♦ Bring hanging clothes (dresses, suits, blouses, shirts, coats) on hangers to be hung on available racks.
- ♦ Please be selective when sorting your rummage. We ask that everything be clean and in good repair. ***Please, no stuffed toys.***
- ♦ Usable, good condition, small furniture. ***We cannot sell cribs. Because of limited space, we cannot take large exercise or ski equipment.***
- ♦ Finer items will be sold in the "Boutique".



We also need your help before, during and after the sale. Volunteers are needed for:

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| Sorting: Friday, May 17 | 9 AM to 5PM Come for as long as you are able. |
| Pre-Sale: Friday, May 17 | 6:30 to 8:30 PM <u>\$5 Admission.</u> Public and parish are welcome. |
| Sale: Saturday, May 18 | 9 AM to 12 Noon <u>Free Admission - optional \$5 and \$10 bags.</u>
Public and parish are welcomed.
12-12:30 PM - Cleanup immediately following the sale. |

Please call Rachael Desmond at 860-232-1930 to volunteer or if you have questions. Sign-up sheets will be available in the weeks preceding the sale.

The Women of St. James's would like to thank all of you in advance for helping with the sale. So many of you contribute items and volunteer your time to make this sale a success every year. Without all of you, this would not be possible. Thank you very much!

March 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 LENT IV 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II - Chapel 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist & Sacrament of Healing - Church 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) 11:00 AM Coffee Hour Forum—PH 7:00 PM Compline—Church					1 7:00 AM Morning Prayer	2 8:00 PM AA-DR
3 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II - Chapel 8:30 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist w/Baptism & Sacrament of Healing - Church 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) 11:00 AM Coffee Hour Forum—PH 4:30 PM Celtic Worship at St. John's, WH	4 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 6:30 PM EfM—PR	5 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 12:15 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR 5:30 PM Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper—PH	6 7:00 AM HE w/ Imposition of Ashes—Chapel Breakfast—PR 12:10 PM HE w/ Imposition of Ashes—Church 5:00 PM Junior Choristers 5:15 PM Treble Choristers 6:00 PM Choir Rehearsal—DR 7:00 PM HE w/ Imposition of Ashes—Church	7 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR	8 7:00 AM Morning Prayer	9 8:00 AM Men's Discussion Group - PR 7:00 PM Annual Choir Concert—Church 8:00 PM AA Group - DR
10 LENT I Day Light Saving Time Begins 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II - Chapel 8:30 AM Prepare for Loaves and Fishes 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) - Parish Hall 9:30 AM HE & Sacrament of Healing —Church 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 11:00 AM CNC Class #10—Youth Room 11:00 AM Coffee Hour Forum—PH 4:00 PM Rhythms of Grace 7:00 PM Compline—Church	11 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 11:30 AM Serve for Loaves and Fishes 6:30 PM EfM—PR	12 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 11:30 AM HE/Healing Service—Chapel 12:15 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR 7:00 PM Samaritans Group - PR	13 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist/Breakfast 5:00 PM Junior Choristers 5:15 PM Treble Choristers 6:30 PM Choir Dinner—DR 7:00 PM Adult Choir	14 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 PM Lenten Lunch & Book Study—PR	15 7:00 AM Morning Prayer	16 8:00 PM AA Group - DR
17 LENT II 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II—Chapel 8:45 AM Prepare for South Park Inn 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) 9:30 AM HE & Sacrament of Healing—Church 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 11:00 AM Coffee Hour Forum—PH 7:00 PM Compline—Church	18 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 6:30 PM EfM—PR	19 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 11:30 AM HE/Healing Service—Chapel 12:15 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR 7:00 PM Vestry Meeting —Parish Room	20 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist/Breakfast 11:15 AM Holy Eucharist—McAuley 5:00 PM Junior Choristers 5:15 PM Treble Choristers 6:30 PM Choir Dinner—DR 7:00 PM Adult Choir	21 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM Foodshare 12:00 PM Lenten Lunch & Book Study—PR	22 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 5:30 PM Fourth Friday Family Night—DR	23 8:00 AM Men's Discussion Group - PR 8:00 PM AA Group—DR
24 LENT III 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II - Chapel 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) - 3rd Floor 9:30 AM HE & Sacrament of Healing—Church 11:00 AM Coffee Hour Forum—PH 5:00 PM Youth Group at the Movies! 7:00 PM Compline—Church	25 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 6:30 PM EfM—PR	26 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 11:30 AM HE/Healing Service—Chapel 12:15 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR	27 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist/Breakfast 5:00 PM Junior Choristers 5:15 PM Treble Choristers 6:30 PM Choir Dinner—DR 7:00 PM Adult Choir	28 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 PM Lenten Lunch & Book Study—PR	29 7:00 AM Morning Prayer	30 8:00 PM AA Group—DR

April 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 6:30 PM EfM—PR	2 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 11:30 AM HE/Healing Service—Chapel 12:15 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR 7:00 PM VIENNA BOYS CHOIR—CHURCH	3 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist/Breakfast 5:00 PM Junior Choristers 5:15 PM Treble Choristers 6:30 PM Choir Dinner—DR 7:00 PM Adult Choir	4 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 PM Lenten Lunch & Book Study—PR	5 7:00 AM Morning Prayer	6 8:00 PM AA Group
7 LENT V 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 8:30 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 8:30 AM Prepare for Loaves & Fishes 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) 9:30 AM HE & Sacrament of Healing—Church 11:00 AM Coffee Hour Forum—PH 11:00 AM CnC Class #11—Youth Room 4:30 PM Celtic Worship St. John's, WH 7:00 PM Compline—Church	8 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 11:30 AM Serve for Loaves and Fishes 6:30 PM EfM—PR	9 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 11:30 AM HE/Healing Service—Chapel 12:15 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR 7:00 PM Samaritans Group—PR	10 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist/Breakfast 5:00 PM Junior Choristers 5:15 PM Treble Choristers 6:30 PM Choir Dinner—DR 7:00 PM Adult Choir	11 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 PM Lenten Lunch & Book Study—PR	12 7:00 AM Morning Prayer	13 8:00 AM Men's Discussion Group - PR 8:00 PM AA Group—DR
14 PALM SUNDAY (NO 8AM SERVICE) 10:00 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) - PH 10:00 AM HE w/ Passion Reading & Sacrament of Healing—Church 11:30 AM Easter Basket Event—PH 11:30 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 5:00 PM Youth Group	15 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 6:30 PM EfM—PR	16 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 11:30 AM HE/Healing Service—Chapel 12:15 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR 7:00 PM Vestry—PR	17 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist/Breakfast 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist—McAuley 5:00 PM Junior Choristers 5:15 PM Treble Choristers 6:30 PM Choir Dinner—DR 7:00 PM Adult Choir	18 Maundy Thursday 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 Foodshare 7:00 PM Holy Eucharist & Supper	19 Good Friday 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 12:00 PM GF Liturgy at St. John's 1:00 PM NT Reading & Vigil—Chapel 7:00 PM GF Liturgy at St. James's	20 Holy Saturday 7:30 PM Easter Vigil—Christ Church Cathedral 8:00 PM AA Group - DR
21 EASTER SUNDAY (NO 8AM SERVICE) 8:45 AM Prepare for South Park Inn 10:00 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) - PH 10:00 AM Festal Eucharist—Church 11:30 AM Easter Egg Hunt & Mimosas 11:30 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches	22 Easter Monday Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 6:30 PM EfM—PR	23 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 12:15 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR	24 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist/Breakfast	25 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR	26 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 5:30 PM Fourth Friday Family Night—DR	27 8:00 AM Men's Discussion Group - PR 8:00 PM AA Group - DR
28 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II—Chapel 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) - PH 9:30 AM HE & Sacrament of Healing—Church 11:00 AM Coffee Hour—PH Mission Trip Car Wash (Time TBD)	29 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 6:30 PM EfM—PR	30 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 12:15 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR				

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