



# the OPEN DOOR

news from St. James's

## ***From the Rector's Desk***

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Hopefully by now most of you have seen this letter from the St. James's Stewardship Committee (it is in your stewardship package). However, I believe that its message—St. James's as a Family of Faith—is important and vital enough to God's mission and our spiritual health that it be published again. We live in a political and popular culture in which family, healthy community, institutions, as well as faith are under constant assault.

We, as Christians, have a story to tell, and through this community we are trying to equip and empower people of all ages and stations of life to tell their story/our story. The Good News, The Gospel, is just that: good news in a world desperately in need of its message and power. Please read or reread the letter below, and pray on how you can be a part of this Family of Faith. Bob +

## **St. James's—Our Family In Faith**

Each of us views our life together at St. James's through a personal lens. The experiences we share—worship; inspiring music; learning more about our faith; opportunities to serve our community and fellow human beings as Christ has taught us; the warm and wondrous multi-generational interactions that occur through regular fellowship and the sharing of meals—together these form a rich and embracing fabric of our life together in faith. We truly are a Family in Faith.

Sustaining our St. James's family requires commitment to each other and to Christ. We are nourished by the meals we share together and through our worship services. Many hands and hearts make this possible for all of us, from each one of you who brings food for picnics and brunches and hosts coffee hour to the many people who make Sunday worship possible—the choir, acolytes, chalice bearers, ushers, altar guild, nursery care, healing team and so many more.

It is clear that this family is one that takes seriously the mission of caring for the wider community, which we see in the sandwiches and the casseroles for feeding programs, in the donations of food, school supplies and toiletries, in the support of refugee families who come to our community from war torn regions of the world. The list of our commitments and contributions goes on and on.

In the same way that each of our families has basic needs—shelter; electricity; heating and cooling—our St. James's family has similar needs. Maintenance and utilities for the beautiful and functional buildings that house our worship and fellowship; support for the clergy and staff who organize and lead our worship and community service; the funds needed to support our outreach activities. All of these require us to make a financial commitment, to the best of our abilities, to ensure that these basic needs can continue to be met.

The members of our St. James's family have always been generous with both their time and financial resources. Your generosity is an expression of your faith and manifests the role that St. James's plays in our individual, family, and community lives. Please join us to ensure that our St. James's family continues to thrive and fulfill our mission together through faith and service to God and God's people.

Thank you for your prayerful and faithful generosity.

- St. James's Stewardship Committee

Nov/Dec 2018

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## **Highlights in Nov/Dec**

- **Sunday, Nov 4** All Saints' Eucharist & Stewardship Brunch, 10am
- **Thursday, Nov 8** Greater Hartford Multi-faith Prayer Breakfast, 7:15am
- **Sundays, Nov 11 & 18** Intergenerational Book Study, 11am
- **Sunday, Nov 18** UTO Ingathering at the 9:30 service
- **Thursday, Nov 22** Thanksgiving Eucharist, 10am
- **Sunday, Nov 25** Stocking Stuffer Event, 11am
- **Friday, Nov 30** Handel Messiah, 7pm
- **Dec 1-9** Christmas Tree & Wreath Sale
- **Sunday, Dec 2** Advent Lessons & Carols, 5pm
- **Monday, Dec 24** Christmas Eve (see schedule inside)
- **Tuesday, Dec 25** Christmas Day Holy Eucharist, 10am

# From the Assistant Rector

## Caring for our Family in Faith

Turning a group of strangers who happen to show up at the same place on a Sunday morning into a Family in Faith doesn't automatically happen. Rather, it happens over time as we worship together, as we engage in service to the community together, as we have fun and enjoy fellowship together, and as we show up for one another in times of need.

I wanted to devote my newsletter article this month to the group whose primary purpose is to care for the members of their church family who are in need—the Pastoral and Healing Ministries of St. James's. This group of men and women care deeply about the people of this parish, from the ones they've known for decades to the ones they've never met. Many of you have benefitted from their ministry as they've prayed for you, delivered food, or visited with communion. But there are some of you who might not have ever had much contact with the Pastoral and Healing Ministries of the church, and wonder what their work has to do with you. Well, since you asked, I'll take some time to tell you! What St. James's Pastoral and Healing Ministries can offer you:

- Someone to talk to when you need a listening ear
- A meal when you or a loved one are sick, have had surgery, or when your family has expanded
- Communion when you have not been able to attend church
- Healing prayer during Sunday services or at other times
- Ongoing prayer for you during a difficult time in your life
- Prayer Shawls to offer comfort and remind you that people are praying for you

There are many ways that you can help others in the St. James's community, whether you're able to do something on a regular basis or on occasion:

- Sign up for the casserole ministry and/or CHEFs (casseroles helping expanding families) email lists to know when a need for casseroles arises.
- Make a casserole or double your recipe for a meal that would freeze well and drop it off at the church. Having meals in our freezer allows the casserole ministry to respond much more quickly as urgent needs arise.
- Commit to praying for those listed on our parish prayer list on a regular basis.
- Join a healing prayer team to pray for one another during times of need.
- Knit a prayer shawl or help deliver one.
- Train as a Lay Eucharistic Visitor to make Communion visits to people unable to attend church.
- Train as a Pastoral Companion to meet with members of the church who would benefit from having someone to talk to on a recurring basis.
- Add your name and areas of skill/expertise to the "Just Call" list, a group that the clergy and staff can call when specific needs arise in the parish.

For all of these ministries the primary qualification is a willingness to care for your Family in Faith. If there is a specific skill or training necessary for a particular ministry, I am happy to connect you with the necessary instruction.

One opportunity for training will happen in early 2019 when I will provide a series of pastoral care workshops to provide information and teach the skills necessary for various types of pastoral and healing ministry. The first workshop will be on the Fundamentals of Pastoral Care, and will include an optional training for Lay Eucharistic Visitors. The second workshop will be on the Theory and Practice of Intercessory Prayer. The final workshop will cover Special Issues in Pastoral Care including Memory Loss and End of Life. These workshops will be a great opportunity to learn and to get involved.

I hope you'll consider participating in these vital ministries of our parish, as we work to build up the Family of Faith we are so blessed to have here at St. James's. The ministry of the Pastoral and Healing Team doesn't seek to replace that of the clergy, rather it amplifies and greatly extends its reach. Please stop by the table for the Pastoral and Healing Ministries at the St. James's Showcase on October 28th to learn more and to sign up for one of the many opportunities to serve!

Charlotte +

## Upcoming Opportunity for Mission & Prayer

### November 17

Church by the Pond

### November 25

Stocking Stuffers

### December 8

Advent Quiet Day

## Confirm not Conform

### Classes held on Sundays in the Youth Room

#### November 4

Confirmation Class #4 at 11:30am (later start)

#### November 18

Confirmation Class #5 at 11am (Meet your mentors)

#### December 2

Confirmation Class #6 at 11am

## Youth Events November/December

### Saturday, November 17

Church by the Pond  
Feeding the hungry in Hartford (meet at church at 12:30pm)

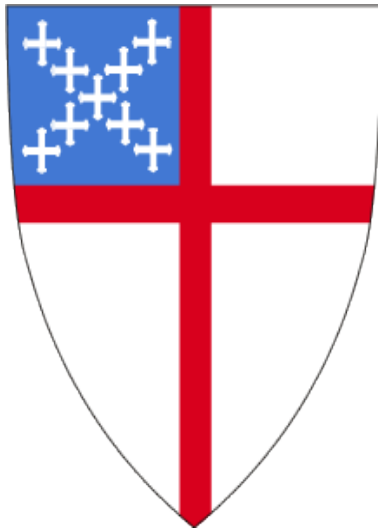
### Sunday, December 9

HS & MS Youth Group  
5:00 to 7:00pm

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



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## Vestry Corner

### Treasurer's Report—September 2018

**Current Position :** Through September 30, 2018, total Income was \$20,654 over budget and total expenses were \$5,182 greater than budgeted amounts, resulting in a positive variance to budget of \$15,472.

### Income & Expense Summary:

Category	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Variance	Total Annual Budget
Income (+)	\$584,313	\$563,659	\$20,654 Over Budget	\$776,800
Expense (-)	\$577,966	\$572,784	\$5,182 Over Budget	\$779,400
<i>Net</i>	\$6,347	\$9,125	\$15,472 Positive Variance To Budget	\$2,600 Excess of Expense over Income

**Income:** Regular Contributions (Current and Prior Year Pledges, Seasonal and Unspecified Offerings) through September 30 were \$13,671 more than the total of the several budgeted amounts. Current Year Pledges were over budget by \$10,943 while the other three categories were over budget by an aggregate amount of \$2,728. For the first nine months of 2018, income from outside groups using the Parish facilities totaled \$23,518 or \$7,470 more than budget. Special Contributions for General Purposes of \$20,862 were \$660 more than budget.

**Expense:** Major contributors to the Expense results through September 30 were the following: Property: For the period, property expenses were \$2,425 under budget. The Church paid less than budgeted amounts for gas (\$2,709 less), and for general maintenance and repair (\$2,667 less) whereas costs for electricity exceeded the budget amount by \$1,750 and for water by \$549. Snow removal was a breakeven situation with payments exceeding budget by just \$50. Maintenance Supplies, Insurance and Lawn Care exceeded budgeted amounts by the aggregate amount of \$1,045.

## Vestry Nominations 2019

**T**HE Vestry Nominating Committee welcomes suggestions, from members of the parish, of persons who they believe would be fine members of our vestry and officers (Senior and Junior Warden, Treasurer and Clerk).

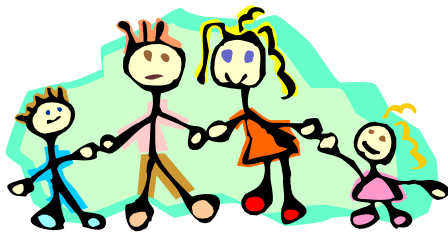
### Vestry members must be:

1. committed to Jesus Christ;
2. regular in attendance at public worship;
3. participants in the life and ministry of the congregation;
4. solid financial supporters of our ministries;
5. be willing to commit to regular attendance at monthly meetings (the 3rd Tuesday), annual vestry retreats, and to serve as liaison with committees or programs within the parish.

The members of this year's Nominating Committee are: Sam Paul, Lesley Toutain, and Abby Fisher Williamson. The Nominating Committee will publish its nominations in the January issue of *The Open Door*.

In accordance with the by-laws of the church, any member may submit a petition to include any other member for inclusion on the ballot as a candidate for the vestry or as an officer. The petition must be signed by the nominating member, not less than three additional members of the parish and agreed to by the signature by the nominated member. All petitions are to be submitted to the Clerk no later than two weeks prior to the annual meeting to be held on **January 27, 2019**. Nominations not submitted as set forth will not be allowed from the floor at the annual meeting.

# St. James's Center for Family Ministries



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

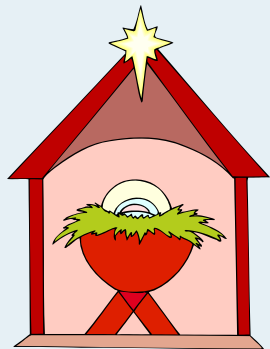
## **KFC (Kids for Christ) Sundays at 9:00**

*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! Services will be  
held on Sundays,  
November 25 & March 10  
at 4pm with Priscilla  
Hooper.*

## **Pageant Rehearsals December 9, 16, and 23**



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**W**OW, It's November! That came around really fast this year. It seems like we just got started back at school, with sports and other fall activities, and here it is—November. That being said, I always love this time of year; even though the days get shorter, there are so many fall activities to take part in. It is also fun to look toward the holiday season with great promise and excitement. Which brings me to the pageant. As many of you know, the Christmas pageant on Christmas Eve at 5pm, is a big part of how we celebrate Christmas at St. James's. It is a wonderful way to experience the joy of Jesus's birth and to see some pretty adorable St. James's children as well.

Each year beginning in September, I start to plan for the pageant. Planning for the pageant involves talking to parents to see what children are going to be around this year for Christmas Eve, assessing the ages of those who enjoy theater, and figuring out the best way to make the most of our talented young actors and singers. This year, with the guidance of Bob and Charlotte, we are changing things up a bit. In the past we have done a straight up pageant, adding characters along the way. We have also done the pageant from the perspective of Jesus at 10 years old asking his mother to tell him about his birth.

With the plethora of early elementary school and preschool children in the parish this year, we have decided to change things up and do a pageant from the perspective of the animals in the manger. The script will allow for lots more speaking parts, and I hope, a lot of fun. Most of the speaking parts will be high school and middle schoolers, with some late elementary school parts as well. Everyone keep me in your prayers as we begin rehearsals which take place after the 9:30 service on December 9, 16 and 23. If you have a child who is interested in a certain part, please

contact me as soon as you can, and I will do my best to accommodate.

The pageant is exciting but we are also doing some exciting work during KFC—Kids for Christ—during the 9:30 service. In October, we did an in depth study of the story of Esther, which the children really enjoyed. I also continue to use the Illustrated Children's Ministry which offers beautiful illustrations with scriptures on the subject of compassion and faith. You may have noticed that I switched to the Illustrated Children's Ministry Sunday Bulletin which explores the readings each Sunday on a child's level.

On Sunday, November 25 at 4 pm, we will gather for our Advent Rhythms of Grace service. As a part of that service, we will create Advent wreaths for each family to take home and use during the Advent season. I also have purchased the Illustrated Children's Ministry Advent Curriculum for Families. This is a great resource for families and can fit into any family's schedule with many different activities for each week of Advent.

Finally, I am thankful—in this month of Thanksgiving—to say that I feel blessed to be a part of the St. James's family. I believe that we do a pretty good job of nurturing our children and giving them the guidance they need to develop into fine young people on a spiritual journey. For that I am eternally grateful.

Your Sister in Christ,



# From the Organist & Choirmaster

Dear Parishioners,

Concerts at St James's is excited to announce that the Vienna Boys Choir will perform at St. James's on **Tuesday, April 2** at 7pm! Tickets are now available for purchase by going to our website ([www.stjameswh.org](http://www.stjameswh.org)) or by going to [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com) and searching for the concert by location and date. We suggest that you purchase tickets in advance as this will be the choir's only Connecticut appearance during their Spring 2019 tour.



## From the choir's official website:

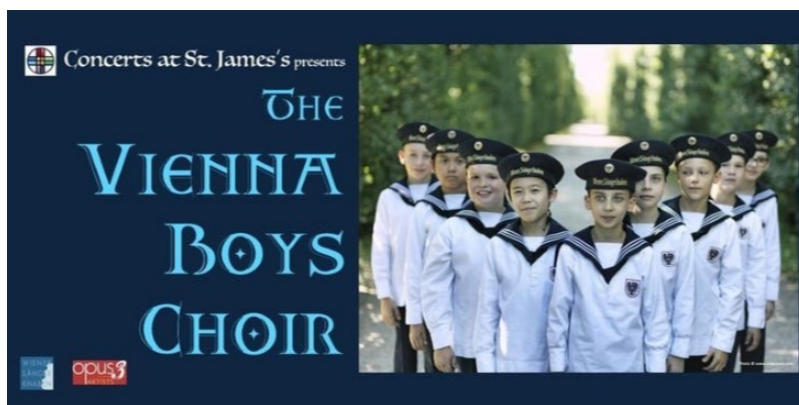
Boys have been singing at Vienna's Imperial Chapel since 1296. In 1498, Maximilian I (HRR) moved his court to Vienna, lock, stock, and choir, thus founding the "Hofmusikkapelle" (Chapel Imperial), and the Vienna Boys Choir. Over the centuries, the Viennese Court attracted great musicians like Isaac, de Monte, Fux, Caldara, Gluck, Salieri, Mozart, and Bruckner; Joseph Haydn, Michael Haydn, and Franz Schubert were themselves choir boys. Until 1918, the boys sang exclusively for the court. In the 1920s, the choir was reestablished as a private organization. Since 1926, 2482 Vienna Boys Choir has sung 1000 tours in 97 different countries. Gerald Wirth is its Artistic Director, and its president.

Today, there are 100 choristers between the ages of nine and fourteen, divided into four touring choirs. Each choir spends nine to eleven weeks of the academic year on tour. Together, the choirs give around 300 concerts each year, attended by almost half a million spectators around the world. The choir regularly tours Europe, Asia and Australia, and the Americas. The choir's first journey to Chile to place in 1936.

On Sundays, the boys perform with members of the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra and of the Vienna State Opera Chorus in Vienna's Imperial Chapel, as they have done since 1498. In 2012, the choir opened its own concert hall, MuTh; the state-of-the art facility seats 400 and has proven highly popular with both artists and audience.

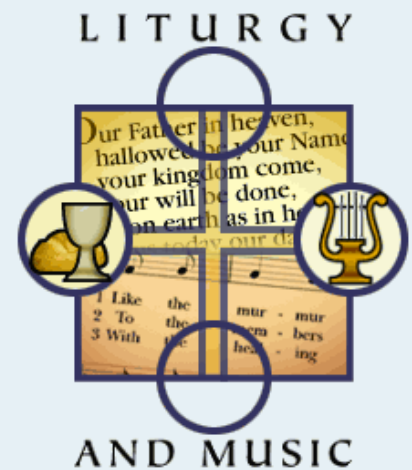
The first ever sound recording of the choir was made on a wax cylinder in 1907; since then, the boys have recorded 43 shellacks, 55 singles, 128 LPs and 150 CDs on every major label. In 2015, the choir signed a longterm deal with Deutsche Grammophon. The first CD was released in 2015. 26 films and 17 TV documentaries attest to the choir's international appeal. In 2008, the choir began a collaboration with New York-based filmmaker Curt Faudon; since then, three major music films have been released; a fourth, "Good Shepherds", is in production.

The Vienna Boys Choir performs with major orchestras, such as the Vienna Philharmonic



Orchestra, the Vienna Symphony Orchestra, the Staatskapelle Berlin, the Oslo Philharmonic, the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Riccardo Muti

(honorary member of the Chapel Imperial), Andrés Orozco Estrada, Christian Thielemann, Simone Young. A particular highlight are the appearances at the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra's New Year's Concert. In 2012 and 2016, the boys performed under the baton of Mariss Jansons.



## Important Dates

**Friday, November 30**  
CONCORA performs the Handel Messiah at 7:30pm

**Sunday, December 2**  
Advent Lessons & Carols at 5pm

**Monday, December 24**  
**Christmas Eve:**  
Pageant at 5pm  
Music Prelude at 10:30pm  
Choral Eucharist at 11pm

**Tuesday, April 2, 2019**  
Vienna Boys Choir, 7pm

## 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*

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## Mission

### Christmas Stocking Stuffers

*Sunday, November 25*

**Y**OU can help make a difference at Christmas for the men at two area shelters – the Open Hearth and Salvation Army.

During the month of October we have been collecting men's socks and toiletries for this mission project. We hope the newly implemented tag board has been helpful to all who have chosen to participate. This will hopefully ensure that enough items are collected and that all of these men will receive a stocking. All stuffer donations and socks were due in on October 27, however, if you have not had a chance to deliver your items, please do so as soon as possible.

Join us on **Christ the King Sunday, November 25** after the 9:30 service for the annual stocking stuffing event! This is an intergenerational project so please involve your children. This mission project is greatly appreciated as your stuffed stockings are often the only holiday gift these men will receive.

### Poinsettia Plant Sale

*Sunday, December 9*

**B**EAUTIFUL poinsettias will be available for purchase after both services on **Sunday, December 9**. Doug Compton will have a variety of plants which will include, 8" three stem, 6" two stem, and 4" red flowers. All proceeds will benefit the St. James's feeding programs.

### Christmas Toy Collection

**C**HRISTMAS is right around the corner and we will soon be collecting toys for children and youth in the Hartford area. Toys, games, and fun gifts are needed for children of all ages from toddlers to early teens. Gifts will then be delivered to various churches who will then deliver them to the families in need. Bring your **unwrapped** gifts to the church and place them at any of the entrances to the building. **Deadline is Sunday, Dec 9**. Gift certificates for early teens are a great gift as well. Thank you for making Christmas special for these children and their families!

### Food Pantry Ongoing Needs

**T**HE West Hartford 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 entrances to the building. Remember to please check expiration dates!

## Angel Tree 2018



**C**OMING in November: the 2018 St. James's Angel Tree! This annual program provides holiday gifts and personal messages for local children whose mom or dad is incarcerated. Last year we were assigned 50 children, and purchased 100 gifts. This year's number has not been finalized, however it will remain much the same.

#### Here's how you can help:

**ANGEL GIFTS:** Pick an Angel off the Angel tree, purchase and wrap the gift. Suggested gift price is \$20-\$25. Angels will be available after both services on Sundays November 4, 11 and 18. **All gifts must be wrapped and returned to the parish office by Sunday, December 2.**

**ANGEL WINGS:** Don't have time to shop but still want to help? Drop off a \$20-\$25 donation in the ANGEL WINGS box and our shoppers will purchase and wrap a gift on your behalf. Angel Wings will also be available after both services on Sundays November 4, 11 and 18.

**ANGEL DELIVERY TEAMS:** We'll need drivers to deliver the gifts. Email Jane Good at [4janegood@gmail.com](mailto:4janegood@gmail.com) if you'd like to deliver gifts this year. Drivers can choose the day and time, as long as the gifts get to the families before December 25th!

## Around the Parish



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## Greater Hartford Multi-Faith Prayer Breakfast

*Thursday, November 8*

**S**AVE the date! This year's annual multi-faith prayer breakfast will be held on **Thursday, November 8** from 7:15—8:45am at the Artists Collective, 1200 Albany Avenue, Hartford.



A light breakfast is served first with program at 7:25. The theme for this year's event: "Loving Our Neighbor Across the World," with guest speaker Chris George, Executive Director, Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Services. There is no admission fee but freewill donations are accepted and appreciated. Register by mail or online by going to: <http://ghpb.weebly.com>.

**Note:** There is supervised parking behind The Artists Collective building. Bob and Nancy Hoffman will be in attendance and will watch for St. James's members in an effort to seat you together.

## Thanksgiving Day Eucharist

*Thursday, November 22 at 10am*

**W**E will celebrate Thanksgiving Day with Holy Eucharist at 10am in the chapel on November 22. Let us gather on this day in celebration and thanksgiving for all of God's many blessings.

## Celtic Worship at St. John's

*Sundays, November 4 and December 2*

**E**XPERIENCE worship in the Celtic tradition every first Sunday of the month from October through June 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. A beautiful way to worship on a Sunday afternoon. All are welcome!

## Men's Discussion Group

*Second and Fourth Saturday of the Month*

**A**LL men of the parish and guests are invited to a discussion group on **Saturdays, November 10 and 24; December 8 and 22** beginning at 8am in the parish room. Various religious topics are presented and refreshments are provided. All are welcome!

## Daylight Saving Time Ends

**D**AYLIGHT Saving Time will end on **Sunday, November 4**. Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour Saturday evening, November 3.

## All Saints' Sunday & Stewardship Brunch

*Sunday, November 4*

**W**E will celebrate Holy Eucharist on **All Saints' Sunday, November 4** with one service in the church at 10am followed by the Stewardship Brunch in the parish hall. A time to gather for good food and fellowship, and celebrate the generosity of our Family in Faith. There will be plenty of food and all are encouraged to attend!

## 2018 Annual Reports

**A**NNUAL reports are due in by **Wednesday, January 2, 2019**! All reports will be bound together in one booklet for distribution one week before the annual meeting which will be held **Sunday, January 27, 2019** following the 9:30 service. Please email your reports to the parish office at [info@stjameswh.org](mailto:info@stjameswh.org). Final annual reports will be available on week before annual meeting on Sunday, January 20.

## Christmas & Advent at St. James's

### Liturgies

**Tuesdays, Dec 4, 11, 18**

Holy Eucharist/Healing Service, 11:30am

**Christmas Eve**

**Monday, December 24**

Pageant & Eucharist, 5:00pm

Music Prelude, 10:30pm

Choral Eucharist, 11pm

**Christmas Day**

**Tuesday, December 25**

Holy Eucharist w/ Carols, 10am



**First Sunday of Christmas**  
**Sunday, December 30**

Holy Eucharist, 8 & 9:30am

## Advent Lessons & Carols

*Sunday, December 2*

**B**EGIN Advent by attending the annual Lessons & Carols service on the **first Sunday of Advent, December 2** at 5pm. The service is approximately one hour and open to all. Invite someone to join you!

## Christmas Flowers

**G**IVE Christmas flowers in honor or in memory of loved ones! Just fill out a flower envelop with your name request along with your donation. Flower envelopes will be located at the end of the pews in the church and chapel, and will be available beginning **Sunday, November 25**. Please return your envelopes to the parish office no later than **Monday, December 17**. A list of those loved ones so honored or remembered will be included in the Christmas bulletins.

## Greening of the Church

**C**ALLING all able-bodied men and women to help with St. James's annual greening of the church. Come and share in the preparations of the sanctuary for the coming of our Savior Jesus Christ. Please join Mary Ann Haar in the church on **Sunday, December 23 after services at 11am**. Your help is very much appreciated!

## Holiday Parish Office Closings

**T**HE parish office will be closed **Monday, Dec 24 through Wednesday, Dec 26**. Parish office will be open Thursday, Dec 27 and Friday, December 28 from 9am to 12 noon. The parish office will also be closed on **Monday, Dec 31 and New Years Day, Jan 1**.

## Christmas Tree & Wreath Sale

*Saturday, December 1 through Sunday, December 9*

**B**EAUTIFUL trees and wreaths will be on sale in December on the parish grounds in front of the church and will come in a variety of sizes. Don't wait too long to pick out your tree, as they usually sell very quickly. **Sale hours are: Saturday from 9am to 6pm; Sunday from noon to 6pm; and Monday through Friday from 4pm to 8pm**. You may reserve your trees or wreaths by either phoning or emailing the parish office. Cash, check, and credit cards will be accepted at the time of purchase. Spread the word and let others know about the sale!

## Registry and Readings

### Weddings

**Mary Margaret Zinolli to  
Randal Samuel Cornelio**  
*September 7, 2018*

**Nicole Scalise to  
Anthony Lattanzio**  
*September 29, 2018*

### Sunday Lectionary

**All Saints' Day, November 1**  
Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9; Psalm 24  
Revelation 21:1-6a; John 11:32-44

**Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, November 4**  
Ruth 1:1-18; Psalm 146; Hebrews 9:11-14; Mark 12:28-34

**Twenty Fifth Sunday after Pentecost, November 11**  
Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17; Psalm 127; Hebrews 9:24-28  
Mark 12:38-44

**Twenty Six Sunday after Pentecost, November 18**  
1 Samuel 1:4-20; 1 Samuel 2:1-10  
Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25; Mark 13:1-8

**Christ the King Sunday, November 25**  
2 Samuel 23:1-7; Psalm 132:1-13 (14-19)  
Revelation 1:4b-8; John 18:33-37

**First Sunday of Advent, December 2**  
Jeremiah 33:14-16; 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13  
Luke 21:25-36; Psalm 25:1-9

**Second Sunday of Advent, December 9**  
Baruch 5:1-9 or Malachi 3:1-4; Philippians 1:3-11  
Luke 3:1-6; Canticle 4 or 16

**Third Sunday of Advent, December 16**  
Zephaniah 3:14-20; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18; Canticle 9

**Christmas Eve/Day, December 24/25**  
Isaiah 9:2-7; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14(15-20); Psalm 96

**First Sunday after Christmas, December 30**  
Isaiah 61:10-62:3; Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7  
John 1:1-18; Psalm 147 or 147:13-21



## Parish Birthdays

### *Children and Youth*

#### NOVEMBER

Jack Keough, 1  
Sam Sadler, 1  
Christine Waterman, 1  
John Kramer, 2  
Ian Sieklucki, 7  
Quinn Ciccone, 9  
Emily Jacovino, 9  
Violet Long, 11  
Lara Swales, 11  
Abigail Capone, 12  
Brayden Tyler, 14  
Trey Keating, 24  
Sarah Granquist, 29



#### DECEMBER

Laurel Raissian, 4  
Oliver Woodward, 4  
Harry Lewis, 5  
Joshua Campbell, 10  
Braden Flowers, 12  
Declan McDonald, 13  
Zoe Pinckney, 14  
Jacob Ciccone, 18  
James DeLibero, 18  
Rowan Guerraz, 21  
Andrew Stafford, 23  
Emily Lemanski, 25  
Ethan McCue, 29

## 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, and David.

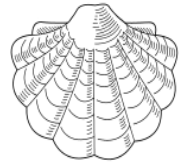
#### Those in our extended parish family

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, and Michael.

#### Those Serving in the Military:

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

## Women Of St. James's



## November/December Programs

#### Tuesday, November 6

Mary-Jane Foster, President & CEO, Interval House  
*Domestic Violence—Why Should We Care?*

#### Tuesday, November 13

Shannon Miodzinski, Principal, Aiken School  
*West Hartford Schools Today*

#### Tuesday, November 20

No Meeting—Thanksgiving Holiday

#### Tuesday, November 27

Erin Flinn, Regional Diocesan Missioner  
*Opportunities for Collaboration*

#### Tuesday, December 4

Mr. Sidney Williams, Author/Storyteller  
*The Art of Writing Essays and Memoirs*

#### Tuesday, December 11

Chris Fisher, World Traveler/Photographer  
*Images from South Africa*

#### Tuesday, December 18, 25 & January 1

No Meetings—Christmas & New Year Hiatus

## United Thank Offering

*Fall Ingathering—Sunday, November 18*

**W**E can be agents of change in the world through the United Thank Offering (UTO), a ministry of the Episcopal Church. Through UTO, men, women, and children nurture the habit of giving daily thanks to God. These prayers of thanksgiving begin when we recognize and name our many daily blessings.

God is at work through the UTO! Every cent you give is the dream for tomorrow's life and gives hope to people all over the world.

Please continue to fill your boxes or make a donation by check and place it in the envelopes which can be found in the church and chapel. Join us on **Sunday, November 18** at the 9:30 service for our ingathering!

**Please remember to make checks payable to the Women of St. James's with UTO in the memo line.**

# November 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 <b>All Saints' Day</b> 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR	2 7:00 AM Morning Prayer	3 8:00 PM AA Group - DR
4 <b>All Saints' Sunday</b> 9:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 10:00 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) <b>10:00 AM Holy Eucharist &amp; Sacrament of Healing—Church</b> 11:30 AM Stewardship Brunch—Parish Hall 11:30 AM CnC Class #4—Youth Room 4:30 PM Celtic Worship—St. John's WH	5 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 6:30 PM EfM—PR	6 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 12:15 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR	7 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	8 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer <b>7:15 AM Hartford Prayer Breakfast—The Artists Collective</b> 10:00 AM AA Group - DR	9 7:00 AM Morning Prayer	10 8:00 AM Men's Discussion Group - PR 8:00 PM AA Group - DR
11 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 8:45 AM Prepare for Loaves and Fishes 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, & the Sacrament of Healing—Church 11:00 AM Coffee Hour & Intergenerational Book Study—Parish Hall 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches	12 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 11:30 AM Serve for Loaves and Fishes 6:30 PM EfM—PR	13 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 12:15 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR 7:00 PM Audubon Society—PH 7:00 PM Samaritans—PR	14 8:00 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	15 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR <b>10:00 AM Foodshare</b>	16 7:00 AM Morning Prayer	17 <b>2:00 PM Church by the Pond</b> 8:00 PM AA Group - DR
18 <b>UTO Sunday</b> 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 8:45 AM Prepare for South Park Inn 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist w/Baptism & the Sacrament of Healing—Church 11:00 AM Coffee Hour & Intergenerational Book Study—Parish Hall 11:00 AM CnC Class # 5—Dining Room 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches	19 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 6:30 PM EfM—PR	20 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 7:00 PM Vestry—PR	21 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	22 <b>Parish Office Closed Thanksgiving Day</b> 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR <b>10:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel</b>	23 <b>Parish Office Closed</b> 7:00 AM Morning Prayer	24 8:00 AM Men's Discussion Group - PR 8:00 PM AA Group - DR
25 <b>Christ the King Sunday</b> 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist & the Sacrament of Healing—Church 11:00 AM <b>Intergenerational Stocking Stuffing Event—Parish Hall</b> 4:00 PM Rhythms of Grace—Advent Wreath Making!	26 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 6:30 PM EfM—PR	27 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 12:15 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR	28 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	29 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR	30 7:00 AM Morning Prayer <b>7:30 PM CONCORA—Handel Messiah</b>	

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>30 First Sunday after Christmas</b> 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist & Sacrament of Healing—Church 11:00 AM Coffee Hour—Parish Hall	<b>31 New Year's Eve</b> <b>Parish Office Closed</b> 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR	<b>Jan 1 New Year's Day</b> <b>Parish Office Closed</b> 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer				1 8:00 PM AA-DR 9:00 AM <b>Christmas Tree Sale</b>
<b>2 Advent I</b> 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 8:35 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) <b>9:30 AM</b> Holy Eucharist & the Sacrament of Healing—Church 11:00 AM Coffee Hour —DR 11:00 AM CnC Class #6—Youth Room 12:00 PM <b>Christmas Tree Sale</b> 4:30 PM Celtic Worship—St. John's WH 5:00 PM Advent Lessons & Carols—Church	3 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 4:00 PM <b>Christmas Tree Sale</b> 6:30 PM EfM—PR	4 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 11:30 AM HE/Healing Service—Chapel 12:15 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR 4:00 PM <b>Christmas Tree Sale</b>	5 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist/Breakfast 4:00 PM <b>Christmas Tree Sale</b> 5:00 PM Junior Choristers 5:15 PM Treble Choristers 6:30 PM Choir Dinner—DR 7:00 PM Adult Choir	6 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 4:00 PM <b>Christmas Tree Sale</b>	7 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 4:00 PM <b>Christmas Tree Sale</b> 5:30 PM Friday Family Night—DR	8 8:00 AM Men's Discussion Group - PR 9:00 AM <b>Christmas Tree Sale</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> <b>Advent Quiet Day</b> 8:00 PM AA Group - DR
<b>9 Advent II</b> 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 8:30 AM Prepare for Loaves and Fishes 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist & the Sacrament of Healing—Church 11:00 AM Coffee Hour —DR 11:00 Pageant Rehearsal—Church 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 12:00 PM <b>Christmas Tree Sale</b> 5:00 PM Youth Group	10 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 11:30 AM Serve for Loaves and Fishes 6:30 PM EfM—PR	11 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 11:30 AM HE/Healing Service—Chapel 12:15 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR 6:30 PM Audubon Holiday Dinner—DR 7:00 PM Samaritans Group - PR	12 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	13 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR	14 7:00 AM Morning Prayer	15 8:00 PM AA Group - DR
<b>16 Advent III</b> 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 8:45 AM Prepare for South Park Inn 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist & Sacrament of Healing—Church 11:00 AM Coffee Hour—Parish Hall 11:00 AM Pageant Rehearsal 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches	17 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 5:00 PM Junior Choristers 6:30 PM EfM—PR	18 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 11:30 AM HE/Healing Service—Chapel 7:00 PM Vestry—PR	19 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	20 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM <b>Foodshare</b>	21 7:00 AM Morning Prayer	22 8:00 AM Men's Discussion Group - PR 8:00 PM AA Group - DR
<b>23 Advent IV</b> 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 9:30 AM Kids for Christ (KFC) 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist & the Sacrament of Healing—Church 11:00 AM Coffee Hour —DR 11:00 AM Pageant Dress Rehearsal—Church 11:00 AM <b>Greening of the Church</b>	<b>24 Christmas Eve</b> <b>Parish Office Closed</b> 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 5:00 PM Pageant 10:30 PM Music Prelude 11:00 PM Choral Eucharist—Church	<b>25 Christmas Day</b> <b>Parish Office Closed</b> 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist w/Carols—Church	<b>26 Parish Office Closed</b> No Eucharist or Meetings	<b>27 Parish Office open 9-12</b> 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Morning Prayer	<b>28 Parish Office Open 9-12</b> 7:00 AM Morning Prayer	29 8:00 PM AA Group - DR

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