

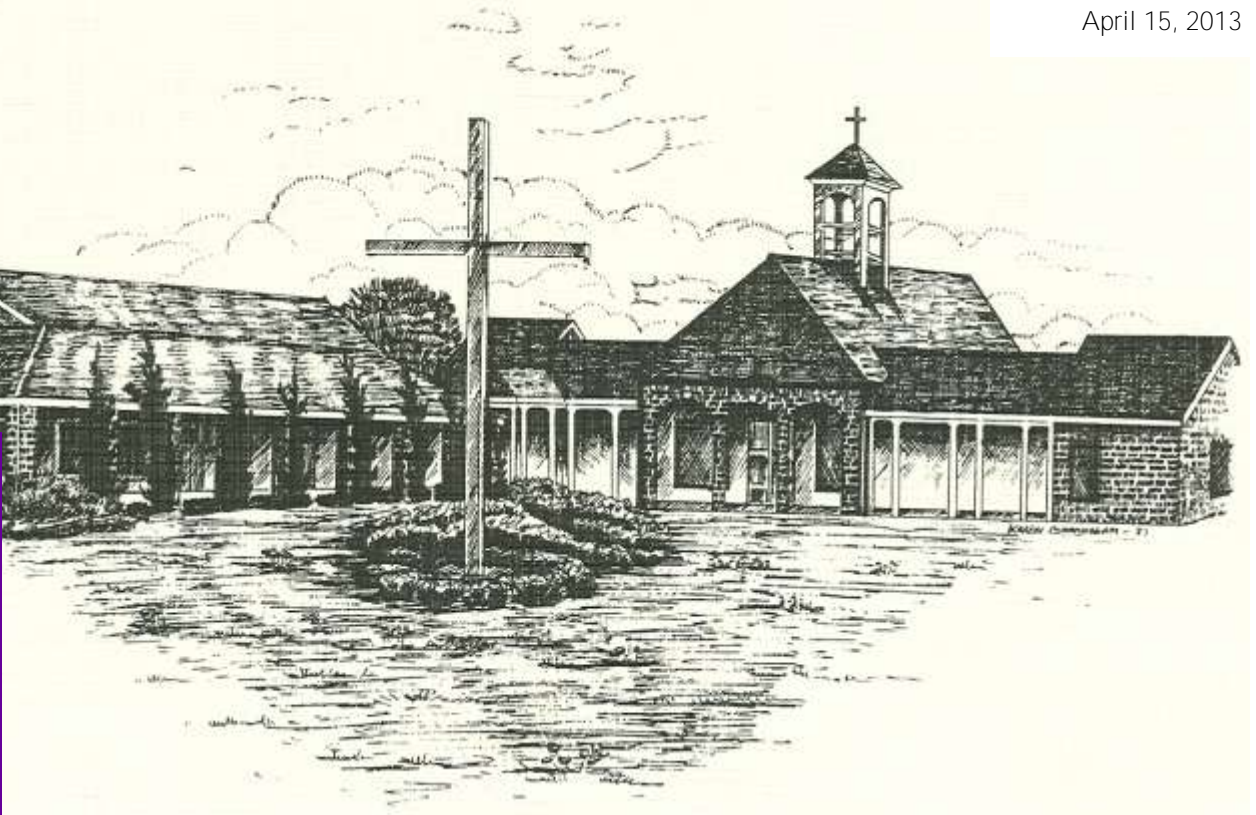
The Spirit of St. James

The Newsletter from St. James Episcopal Church

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April 15, 2013



*May 12
Youth Sunday*

*May 19
Pentecost*

*Bishop's
Visitation*

*June 12
Legacy Luncheon*

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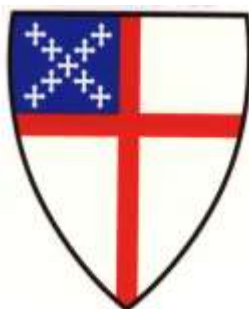
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A MESSAGE FROM MORGAN

Dear Family of St. James,

Wasn't Easter grand?? I thought that all of the services we held during Holy Week as well as our celebration on Easter morning were just tops! We had great music, worship, and fellowship throughout the week and it reminded me of why I love being a part of this community so much. You are a people that show up, are committed and faithful, and who take your life as disciples seriously. It is a joy to work for a church that is so intentional!

Great things are in store this Easter season at St. James, but before I get too ahead of myself, I want to highlight what will be happening in Adult Forum for the rest of the Sundays in April. This Sunday, April 14th, will kick off a three-week series about issues that face us surrounding the end of our lives. Think this sounds morbid? Think again! Because of the Resurrection of our Lord and those wonderful baptisms we just witnessed last Sunday, we have been reminded of the gift of eternal life given to us all by Jesus Christ. In fact, in our burial liturgy there are notes of celebration because the person we will no longer see in this life has finally begun a new chapter. This is why it is still appropriate to say, "Alleluia" at a funeral during Lent. Our death is to remind us of Christ's death and to assure us of the good things to come after our time on this earth has passed.

There are lots of things to consider as we approach the end of our lives. If you have ever dealt with the loss of a relative or close friend you know that death raises many issues theologically, financially, medically and emotionally. Some of these issues can be made easier if careful planning is done by each one of us. And what a gift it is to be able to allow the loved ones who are mourning our loss to have the time and space to grieve and be surrounded by the comforting presence of family and friends instead of spending their days worrying about bills, wills, and tough medical decisions. That's why we—Lois Maberry, Curtis Shelton, and I—have decided to each take a week in Adult Forum to have a little education about the decisions that need to be made at the end of our lives and how we can better equip ourselves and our families to handle them.

This Sunday, April 14th, Lois will lead us in a discussion from a medical perspective. What tough decisions might your family members be forced to make at the end of your life and how can you go ahead and make them for yourself? Who is your medical power of attorney? Are you an organ donor?

Next Sunday, April 21st, I will lead you all in a funeral planning session. Believe it or not, there are several members who have already planned their funeral arrangements and we have them on file in the office. I will take you through our burial service step-by-step and also talk about making arrangements with local funeral homes in advance. We will also explore what our burial rite has to say about death from a theological perspective.

The last Sunday of April, the 28th, Curtis will be on tap to talk about estate planning and wills. Have you written a will? Have you chosen a person or persons to take care of your children in the event that something should happen to you and your spouse? Have you considered designating any of your assets to a favorite non-profit?

I hope you will consider joining us on this three-week journey for what I'm sure will be a very informative and helpful series. Please know that if you are unable to attend any session or have further questions after it has ended, Lois, Curtis, and I would be happy to meet with you personally to address your lingering concerns. Blessings,

Morgan +



Outreach News



Thirty Goodwill bags were collected from the Parish Hall the first week of April. As you do your spring cleaning, remember to fill more bags and drop them off. For each bag we donate to Goodwill St. James is given a \$2 voucher good toward purchases at the Goodwill Thrift Stores. We share the vouchers with organizations (St. Luke's Mobile Medical Ministry, Hope House, I2D) that serve individuals who are homeless or low-income.



The Relay for Life was a great success again this year. Thanks to all who participated, either by purchasing luminaria, walking, or working behind the scenes. According to the Caddo Parish Relay for Life website, as of April 10, 33 teams and 312 participants have raised \$53,169.93 in association with the walk held on April 5, 2013.



Thanks to Dan Bennett for providing the photos.



**Help Morgan MacIntire,
Lisa Lewis, Rita Haldeman,
Holly Johnson, BJ Pritchard,
Jennifer Kirkland, and Tammy Parker
raise money for their upcoming 3-day
Susan G. Komen Walk for the Cure.**

and enjoy an evening out!

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

April 20, 2013

4p-7p

In the Parish Hall at St. James

\$7 for an individual

\$10 per family up to 4 people

\$15 per family of more than 4

Tickets include dinner.

**Tickets available at the door. If you have
any questions, please call the parish office
at (318) 686-1261.**

**And attend the
Cinco de Mayo Breakfast
Tacos for breakfast? Si'**

**Between services
in the Parish Hall
on**

May 5, 2013

**Just as at any breakfast on the first Sunday of the month, donations
will be accepted. Proceeds in May will go to help sponsor our
walkers in the Susan G. Komen Walk for the Cure.**

NURSERY HELP NEEDED

St. James is seeking someone to fill in for Rhonda Robertson in the nursery on those Sundays when she is not available. The diocese requires that all people who work with children in the church complete the Safeguarding God's Children course. The next seminar will be held at St. Mark's Cathedral on May 4 from 9am to noon in the Ministry Center, room 101.

Call the St. Mark's office at 221-3360 to register for the seminar. If you have any questions, please contact the St. James parish office at 686-1261. If you have any questions regarding what the nursery duties include and how often you may be needed to help, please contact Rhonda at 686-9375.

Well Done!

Thanks to everyone who helped St. James succeed in our task of feeding the workers in the Fuller Center building project. A dozen or so folk worked together to make the venture run smoothly, providing lunch and supper April 8 and 10, and registering the volunteers both dates.



Lily plants at the altar throughout the Easter season are given to the Glory of God and

In memory of Michael Caporossi by Tina Vinson & Dave Caporossi

In celebration of our grandchildren, Nathan, Evann, Brooke, and Baby Cap by Tina Vinson & Dave Caporossi

In honor of Hannah & TJ Jackson by Barton & Susan Miguez

In honor of Sarah Howard & Jordan Miguez by Barton & Susan Miguez

In Thanksgiving for Mabry Elizabeth, our church family, and our risen Lord! by Adam & Holly Johnson

In memory of David Langhorst, Mildred Myers, and Cecil Baker by Betty Langhorst

In honor of Karen Bryant by Eugenie Bryant

In thanksgiving for Eugenie and Barbara by Karen Bryant

In memory of Stephanie, Todd, Jackie, and Christie by Karen Bryant

In memory of parents, Don & Eileen Rattenbury, by Kathleen Calhoun

In memory of sister-in-law, Cindy Jordan, by Kathleen Calhoun

In memory of mother-in-law, Flo Calhoun, by Kathleen Calhoun

In honor of my grandson, Peyton Shaw, by Kathleen Calhoun

In memory of Stanley Freeman by Joe Johnson

In thanksgiving for our St. James family by Pat & Janie Parker

In memory of Myrtle & Joe Walston by Molly & Roger Wilkinson

In memory of Corinne & Pugh Wilkinson by Roger & Molly Wilkinson

In memory of James Justis, James McGehee, Butch McGehee, and Rossie McGehee by Suzy Adcock

In memory of Bill, Stella, Joe, and Dan Thrash by Lorain Thrash

In joyful celebration of our Risen Lord by Margaret Anderson

In grateful thanksgiving for my children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren by Margaret Anderson

In memory of Ralph McMichael+, John Moloney+, Bill Graff+, and Ken Cooper+ by Mike & Linda Endicott

In thanksgiving for children and grandchildren by Mike & Linda Endicott

In thanksgiving for the life of Sharon Small by Denise & Curtis Shelton

In thanksgiving for the life of Connie Shelton by Denise & Curtis Shelton

In thanksgiving for Holly, Adam, Mabry, Matt, and Andrew by Mom & Dad

In memory of Jeanne Rayner and Luin & Govie Maberry by the Maberry family

In loving memory of Helen Kizer by the Kizer girls, Linda, Marty, & Terry

In memory of Kui Nishimara by Bob & Yoshi Shane

In memory of Helen & Alex Kizer by Tommy & Mattie Mosley

In honor of Railey & Colton Brown by Sis-
sy Brown

In thanksgiving for all our blessings, especially our children, sons-in-law, and grandchildren by Lonnie & Jerry Howard



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Thanks to everyone who helped us raise \$1951.00 at the BBQ fundraiser for the Susan G. Komen Foundation!!!



Photos provided by Kathy Deal



THE MISSION CONTINUES...

April News from St. Luke's Episcopal Mobile Medical Ministry

In April St. Luke's Episcopal Mobile Medical Van will be participating in a Women's Day hosted by Church of the Holy Cross and organized by Earlene Venable. Earlene donates her time to lead a Women's Group at the Hope House, a day shelter for the homeless. Earlene began this group 3 months ago because she feels that homeless women are one of the most vulnerable groups in our community and have access to few services. Women's Day will honor these women and provide services from several community organizations. It is scheduled for April 18th from 9:30-1. The following services will be offered; sexual assault counseling, self-defense classes, housing application and screening by Hope for the Homeless, HIV screening by The Philadelphia Center, and preventive health screenings by St. Luke's. Gracie's Closet will be providing clothes and the women of Holy Cross will be serving lunch. There are many opportunities to volunteer.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact Earlene Venable at 220-4284 or stlukesmedicalministry@yahoo.com.

If you would like to make a tax deductible donation to St Luke's Episcopal Medical Ministry please send it to P. O. Box 53074, Shreveport, LA 71135.

St. Luke's Episcopal Mobile Medical Ministry mission is an outreach ministry of the eight Episcopal churches in Northwest Louisiana. Following the command of Christ we strive to improve the health of our community by providing preventive health screenings, basic health services, patient education and referrals to the underserved via our 34 foot medical RV. We serve the area of the Shreveport Convocation of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Louisiana including the civil parishes of Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne, Desoto, Red River, Sabine, and Webster.

<p><i>The Day of PENTECOST 10:00 AM Service</i></p> <p><i>May 19</i></p>	<p><i>The 1st Sunday after Pentecost Trinity Sunday</i></p> <p><i>May 26</i></p>
<p><i>Genesis 11: 1- 9</i> <i>Psalms 104: 25- 35. 37</i> <i>Acts 2: 1- 21</i> <i>John 14: 8- 17. (25- 27)</i></p>	<p><i>Proverbs 8: 1- 4, 22- 31</i> <i>Psalms 8</i> <i>Romans 5: 1- 5</i> <i>John 16: 12- 15</i></p>
WAIN THOMPSON	JERRY HOWARD
Janie Parker	Lynnette van Heerden Ron Maberry
Larry Lashley	Lois Maberry
Lauren Ocmand	Pat Parker Brian Whatley
Melanie Winkler Austin Shelton	Melanie Winkler Mason Garner
Holly Johnson Debbie Fitzpatrick	Janie Parker Linda Endicott Denise Shelton
Sissy Brown Mike Kendrick	Pat Parker Mike Kendrick Sara Lewis
Mike Endicott Janie Parker	Mike Endicott

St. James Episcopal Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	
May 5 th Cinco de Mayo Fundraiser Breakfast 9:15 AM May 5 th Inquirer's Class 7- 8:30 PM May 10 th & 11 th Women's Retreat, Five Points Lodge, Hot Springs AR. May 12 th Youth Sunday May 19 th Bishop's Visitation 10 AM Service, 11:00 AM Pot Luck Lunch			1 10 a HA
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		<i>The 6th Sunday of Easter</i>	<i>The Sunday after Ascension Day</i>
		<i>May 5</i>	<i>May 12</i>
LECTIONARY		<i>Acts 16:: 9-15 Psalm 67 Revelation 21: 10-22-22:5 John 5: 1- 9</i>	<i>Acts 16: 16- 34 Psalm 97 Revelation 22:12- 14, 16- 17. 20- 21 John 17: 20- 26</i>
VESTRY PERSON		LORAIN THRASH	LYNNETTE VAN HEERDEN
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	8:30 11:00	Janie Parker Brian Whatley	Janie Parker Ron Maberry
LAY READER	11:00	Dan Bennett	Lois Maberry
LECTORS	8:30 11:00	Pat Parker Debbie Fitzpatrick	Pat Parker Debbie Knight
ACOLYTES	8:30 11:00	Hannah Parker Mason Garner	Kendall Parker Rory Fitzpatrick
ALTAR GUILD		Lonnie Howard Kathy Watkins Faye Wynn	Holly Johnson Debbie Fitzpatrick
USHERS	8:30 11:00	Pat Parker Ron Maberry Lois Maberry	Pat Parker Mike Kendrick Denise Shelton
MASTER OF CEREMONIES VERGER		Mike Endicott	Mike Endicott

May Anniversaries

Paul & Janet Moore	May 1
Bryn & Elizabeth Ollendike	May 2
Bob & Yoshie Shane	May 8
Keith Scott & Chris Philipbar	May 13

May Birthdays

Bob Shane, Jr.	May 1
Paul Moore	May 1
Pepper Matlock	May 3
Jason Welch	May 5
Shirley Philipbar	May 8
Jorene Dupuy	May 8
Erin Elizabeth Soto	May 10
Rhonda Robertson	May 13
Matthew Taylor	May 13
Mike Endicott	May 15
John Arabe	May 17
Sophia Erin Thompson	May 17
Garrett J. Lambert	May 17
Austin Shelton	May 18
Cameron Freyou	May 19
Jennifer Kirkland	May 20
Layton Porter	May 21
Alexa Campbell	May 25
Jo Kelly	May 26
Linda Polly Fain	May 28

DIRECTORY UPDATE

Contact the parish office to share any changes in your address, telephone numbers, or e-mail address so we can stay in touch.

ARE YOU MISSING YOUR EYEGLASSES?

There are currently three pair of eye-glasses on the front desk in the parish office. Each were found on the church property and delivered to the office for safekeeping in the hopes that the owners would come seeking them. If you have lost a pair, stop by the office. We may just have what you are looking for!

FILL THE CANOE, SUPPORT CAMP HARDTNER

Jason Ezell, Executive Director of Hardtner Camp and Conference Center, will speak at the Adult Forum on May 22, 2013, about the Fill the Canoe campaign. Look on the narthex table for special envelopes you can use to make a contribution to Camp Hardtner and help keep the facility at its best for our diocese. Remember, not only do we send our children there for summer camp, but we use the facility for retreats such as Cursillo and Time for Joy.



SUPPORT OUR YOUTH ON MAY 12

Youth Sunday will be held on May 12, 2013, with St. James youth taking responsibility for much of the 11am service. Our guest preacher for the day will be the new director of Hardtner Camp and Conference Center, Jason Ezell. The loose plate offering at both services that Sunday will be given to a charity chosen by the children in our Sunday School Program.

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PALM SUNDAY



April 15, 2013

EASTER!



Thanks to Kathy Deal for the photos on these two pages

LET'S PAINT THE PARISH RED FOR PENTECOST

Pentecost this year will be extra special, as it is also the date of the Bishop's visitation. We have become accustomed to sharing a **RED** reception in the Parish Hall each Pentecost. This year we plan to go all out to show Bishop Jake that the Pentecost Spirit resides in us.

Because the Bishop is visiting, we will have a combined service at 10am, after which we plan to meet in the Parish Hall to enjoy a pot-luck filled with red foods—bring your favorites to share. We also will have a cake walk of red desserts. Who will make the most creative or beautiful or unusual or tastiest dessert? We challenge you to try for a title! The cake walk is just for fun this time around. No tickets required. No money needed to participate. Let's just see what we can bake, share, and enjoy!

If the weather allows, we will set up tables outdoors for those who wish to dine al fresco. Prizes will be given to the parishioners wearing the most red—or is it the most creative red outfit? Or is it the reddest red? You'll just have to come and find out!

INQUIRING MINDS WANT TO KNOW

Do you have questions about what it means to be an Episcopalian? Do you wonder what exactly is going on around the altar during a Eucharistic service? Do you want to know the difference between the Episcopal Church and other Christian denominations? Do you feel the need to review what you learned about the church years ago, but have maybe forgotten? Are you interested in being confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church when Bishop Jake is here on May 19?

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, then we have good news for you! The **Inquirers' Class is scheduled to meet four consecutive Sunday evenings, beginning April 21 and running through May 5.** The class will begin at 7pm and end around 8:30pm each session. The number of people attending will determine the location. A small group will meet in the library/conference room. A larger group will meet in the Parish Hall.

Anyone interested in participating in the Inquirers' Class, please contact Morgan MacIntire. You may send her an e-mail at clergy_stjames@bellsouth.net or telephone the parish office at (318) 686-1261 during regular office hours, Mon-Thurs 8:30am-2pm.

RENEW YOUR SPIRIT

Easter Season. Springtime. Growth. New beginnings. We look forward to this time of year, when the chill of the winter is fading and the scorching heat of summer is not yet established. Some of us have endured the Lenten Season while others made use of the time to prepare for a renewal of spirit. We all need assistance at some time to keep a positive outlook. Whether we do that through participating in the majestic Easter Vigil Service, by observing the visual proof of the continuation of God's creation found in the new growth of spring leaves and flowers, or spending time in contemplation, prayer, and fellowship, it is important that we find a way to keep our faith alive and healthy.

The ECW is sponsoring a women's retreat at Five Points Lodge in Hot Springs, AR, May 10th and 11th. For those who have chosen to attend it will be a wonderful and enriching experience, providing spiritual sustenance to feed the soul. It is important that we each figure out what it is we need to do to gather the energy to sustain our faith. For many of us the fellowship of a retreat such as this or a Cursillo weekend is perfect.

Others may find contemplative prayer and individual study to be more fortifying. Still others may need to bask in the joy of creation, tending gardens and delighting in nature. And there are those who are able to derive all they need from the weekly participation in the worship service of the parish—whether serving around the altar, working in the background, or joining the communion from a pew in the middle (or the back) of the worship space.

There is no right or wrong way to renew the spirit. We are each individuals and have our own unique needs and methods of meeting those needs. Whether we are extroverted and gather energy from those around us or introverted and need quiet time to renew, we should be able to identify what helps us stay in top form. If you don't already know what that is, I urge you to take the time to figure it out. Try new things with a deliberate eye toward evaluating how they help you, and keep an internal list of what to repeat when you need the boost.

And keep in mind—there is one thing of which you can definitely be certain: As a member of the St. James family you have people here who are willing to help you search, to support you when you need it, rejoice with you in the good, and share the burden of sorrow.

The people of St. James mean it when we say, The Episcopal Church welcomes you.

—Jnanne Zepeda

ANNOUNCEMENTS SUBMISSION DEADLINE

If you would like an announcement placed in the Sunday bulletin, please submit it by 10:00 am on the previous Wednesday. The office is open Monday-Thursday from 8:30 am until 2:00 pm. Announcements that are in printed form may be mailed, sent through e-mail to stjames_sport@bellsouth.net, or dropped at the parish office.

Newsletter deadline: May 1st

SPREAD THE WORD

Would you like to brag on your family's achievements, share family milestones with friends, or invite the parish to an upcoming event? You can do so easily by submitting articles to the parish office for publication in the Spirit. There is always room for news of a baptism, wedding, or school achievement. Photographs and stories can be sent via e-mail to stjames_sport@bellsouth.net or dropped off at the parish office. And if you are shy about doing the writing, just telephone the information to 686-1261 and the writing will take care of itself.

*Our Mission Statement: A COMMUNITY CALLED BY GOD TO WORSHIP,
LOVE, AND SERVE.*

Our Schedule of Services:

Sunday—Holy Eucharist, 8:30am

followed by Coffee Hour and donuts in the Parish Hall

Sunday School, 9:45am

Holy Eucharist, 11:00am

Wednesday—Holy Eucharist with Unction, 10am

Bible Study, 10:30am



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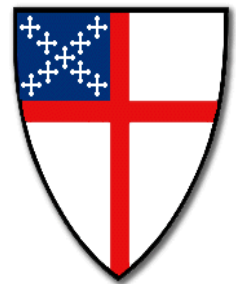
CONTEMPLATION

The Maundy Thursday lock-in began with the evening service and ended at noon the following day. EYC members completed the Stations of the Cross, a scavenger hunt that incorporated light sticks, darkness, clues, and facts about our parish and our church, dinner, snacks, and breakfast, a movie and discussion, preparation of the Easter egg hunt for the smaller children, and a lot of fun and fellowship—and maybe even a little sleep.

We are especially thankful for the work Debbie Fitzpatrick, Kelly Parker, and Holly Johnson put into educating, entertaining, feeding, and keeping our youth safe.

JOIN THE STUDY

A new Beth Moore Bible Study is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, May 7, and will be held in the Parish Hall every other Tuesday evening at 6:30pm. If you are interested in participating, contact Holly Johnson at 347-1307 or hjohnson0821@yahoo.com.



Vision Statement of St. James Episcopal Church: We see St. James as a spirit-led congregation that is a beacon of God's love shining in the community, welcoming all by reaching out through worship, service, mission, and programming to bring peace and healing to all of God's children. We strive to serve our members by nourishing our faith, giving support in times of need and becoming a congregation from which community-based outreach programs have their genesis.