

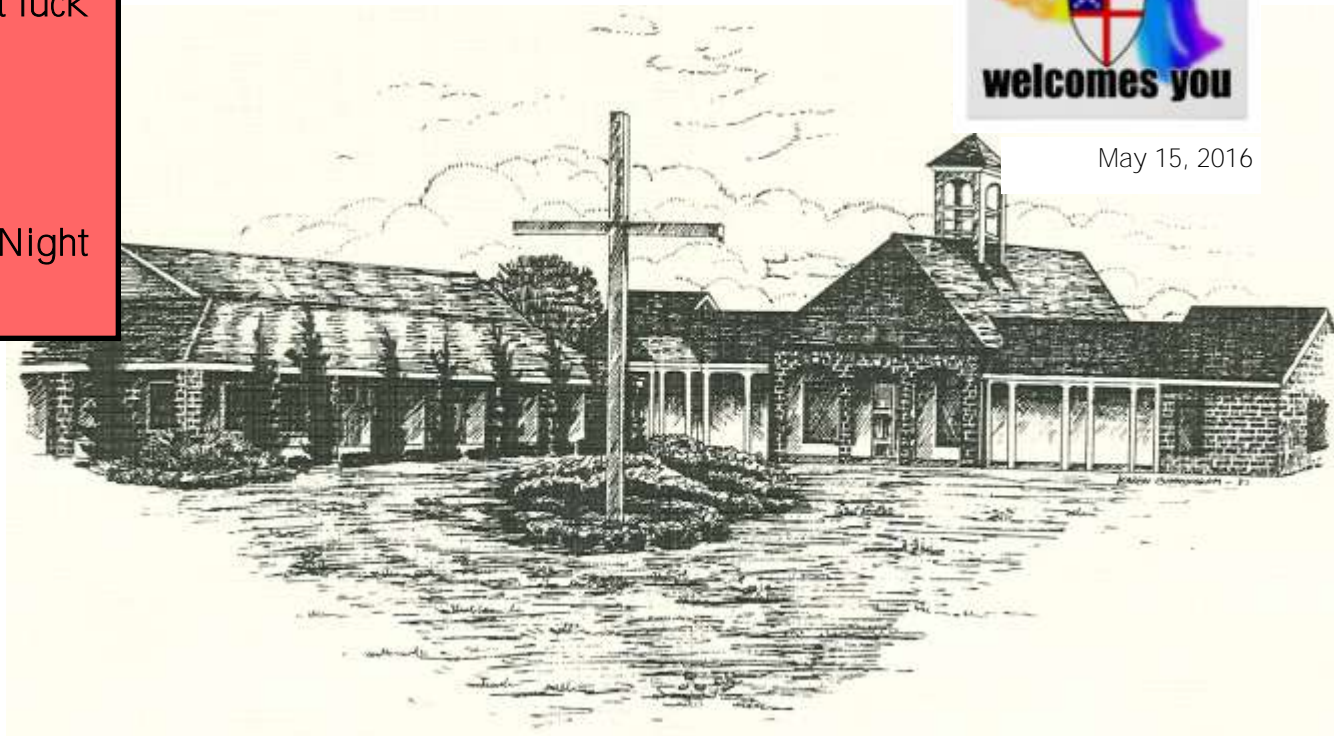
The Spirit of St. James

The Newsletter from St. James Episcopal Church

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May 15, 2016



May 22

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10am Rite II Eucharist
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luncheon



June 3

Family Game Night
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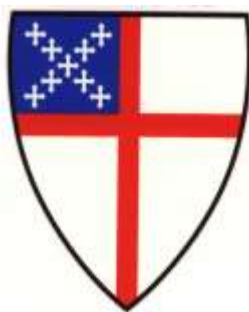
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A MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN

As many of you know, Patti and I have **moved into my parents' old house in North Highlands** and we have been busy remodeling the house for several months now. Our nephew has helped us with some of the carpentry work and he has commented on how everyone in the neighborhood is so friendly and how they all wave at one another. I spent much of this weekend on the roof of the house cleaning and repairing gutters, trimming overhanging tree limbs with a pole saw, and painting a cupola and weathervane.

While the work was hot and sweaty, there was a breeze and the view was quite nice. While I was working, I watched many people pass by on the street below: motorists, plus bicyclists, people walking their dogs, youths skateboarding, couples with strollers, power walkers, and so on and so forth. From the roof of the house, I waved at the passersby, but no one **looked up to see me. Oh well, they were all busy with their day's activities**, so I continued with my work up above, waving and hoping for a response. I wondered if this is how our Heavenly Father feels sometimes. Watching and waving to us, hoping someone will look up and respond. Then it happened. A little girl of perhaps four or five years old was walking down the street with her daddy and she was taking in all of Creation. Birds, trees, sunshine, everything. She looked up and waved to me and said loudly **"Hi! My name is Sophia."** I waved back to her and said, **"Hello Sophia!"** She and her daddy continued walking and she concluded our brief conversation by saying, **"I love you."** That was the high point of my day.

Perhaps that is the way it is in our own lives. We go about our daily business, and God is above tending to the things He has to tend to, and all the **while hoping that we look up to see Him and respond to His wave. Let's** all follow the example of a child named Sophia and while taking in all of Creation, not only wave to one another but also look up to see God waving to us.



In Christ,
Brian Whatley
Sr. Warden

Outreach News

Despite the construction in the Parish Hall, Outreach continues to collect items for donation to local charities. Thanks to everyone who has been contributing to the Outreach bins for **Hope House**, **Providence House**, and **Renzi Education and Art Center**. Recently those bins were emptied and donations were delivered to the intended recipients. Let's keep supporting these worthy charitable agencies.

Even though the academic year is drawing to a close for most schools, we collect Campbell Soup Labels and Boxtops for Education year-round. There is a collection bin for those items in the Outreach area of the Parish Hall. Currently we send these to **Forest Hills Elementary**, where the money they redeem is used to buy school equipment. Several people have placed printer cartridges into the **Mooretown Elementary** collection bin. Mooretown recycles these and uses the money for school equipment. St. James recently added about a dozen toner cartridges to this cause. Won't you join in these efforts?

We continue to help families in need through the voucher program at **Goodwill**, and thus are still collecting bags of household items and clothing. Either take home some empty Goodwill bags and bring them back full and tied up, or bring in your items and fill the bags here. Either way, Goodwill gives us \$2.00 credit for each bag in the form of vouchers that we share with those in need. So, if you are cleaning out old clothes, linens, children's toys, or household décor, please fill the Goodwill bags and leave them here for Goodwill collection. When the shelves in the Parish Hall are full, we make arrangements for the items to be picked up. The vouchers arrive in the mail, usually within a week, and we share them through **I2D**, **St. Luke's Episcopal Mobile Medical Ministry**, or **Hope House**.

IMPORTANT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY—DON'T MISS OUT

In the April 15 issue of *The Spirit of St. James* we asked parishioners to consider volunteering to serve at the altar. So far no one has jumped at this great chance. The problem with this is that we are truly in need. Five years ago we had people complaining that they didn't get to serve as often as they liked because we had so many people on the list that it took several weeks to get back around to the beginning.

That is not currently the case. Many of those who have served at the altar in recent years have moved away, stopped serving due to health concerns, graduated from high school and moved on to college, or have decided to take a break from this ministry. At this time we have a severe shortage of acolytes, lay readers, and Eucharistic ministers and are in danger of burning those folk out.

Please take time to prayerfully consider whether this ministry is for you. The individuals who serve at the altar get to enjoy the service from a unique vantage point. The view of the parish is a little different from behind the priest! Contact Mike Endicott or the parish office to volunteer for your chance to see the parish from a whole new perspective.



THE GOOD STEWARDS

Thanks are warranted for quite a few reasons at St. James recently. If you look around the parish grounds you will see the hard work of those who tend the overall landscaping, as well as those who care for individual beds. BJ Pritchard was mistakenly left off the list (in the April issue of *The Spirit of St. James*) of the gardeners who **have been working hard at St. James this spring.** She's diligently and efficiently pulled weeds, planted flowers, and tended to watering and trimming and whatever else she sees that needs to be done.

We notice that despite holding a full-time job and putting lots of time into replacing light fixtures, tearing down walls, reworking wiring, and the myriad other tasks Matt Parker is doing to make the kitchen renovation a reality, he and Kelly have found time to do their usual fabulous job of upkeep on the lawn. Thanks to them for all their efforts and the great outcome from their work.

Dave Caporossi has spent a lot of time working in the vegetable garden lately. He and Pat Parker replanted a few items after the original veggies were abused by the overabundance of rain last month. We thank them and the rest of the folk who work in the Community Garden to provide food for hungry people in our neighborhood.

While no formal plans were made regarding who would do **what for the reception following the Bishop's visit,** many parishioners jumped in and did the job. The tables were arranged with cloths and a beautiful centerpiece appeared on the serving table. Parishioners showed up with finger foods to share and stuck around afterward to clean up and make the Parish Hall ready for the next event. Thanks to everyone who helped make this happen and honored our newly-confirmed and baptized members in the process!

These are some of the ways that St. James makes use of the time and talents of our parishioners as we strive to be good stewards toward each other and our community.

Parishioners also provided the food and set-up/clean-up services for Duane Cloud's memorial service on May 6. As with the Sunday reception that same weekend, no formal plans were made. People just worked together to assist in any way they could. St. James thanks the many who took part in making the day go as smoothly as possible for Karen McDonald and her family as they mourned the passing of her father.





BISHOP GETS THE JOB DONE

May 8 was a fabulous day at St. James, and Bishop Jake was not given any slack from his duties. With the able help of Deacon Lois Maberry he celebrated a combined service, baptized two babies, confirmed two youths and three adults, and reaffirmed the faith of one adult.

We eagerly welcome Wrenn Hatcher Chapman and Madelyn Jeanne Johnson, the newly-baptized members of St. James, and rejoice in the affirmed faith of Raylie Chapman and Mason Garner, our younger confirmands, as well as Andrea Beach, Betty McDonald, and Michael Lopez, our adult confirmands, and Sarah Weeks-Lopez, who reaffirmed her faith. An informal reception was held in the Parish Hall immediately following the service in celebration of the wonderful events

of the day, before parishioners scattered to spend Mothers' Day with their families.



Photos courtesy Kathy Deal

THE MISSION CONTINUES...at Higher Ground Ministries, Mansfield



St. Luke's medical bus was at Higher Ground Ministries in Mansfield May 6th during their monthly food pantry distribution.



Ekambi Shelton, a Public Health student working on her Masters, provided Carrot Apple Salad samples as an example of healthy eating.



Nurse Bonnie and HGM worker Tommy

Twenty six people had their blood sugar and blood pressure checked.



Patti checks blood glucose for Geraldine Anthony, the Coordinator of the Community Development Cooperation food pantry.



From the Higher Ground Ministries Web Page..."Through the effort of the HGM CDC food pantry, our goal is to make sure no one goes to bed hungry."

—Kathy Deal

<i>The 5th Sunday After Pentecost</i>	<i>The 6th Sunday After Pentecost</i>
<i>Rev'd Paula Clair Hall</i>	<i>Rev'd Andrew Comeaux</i>
JUNE 19	JUNE 26
<i>Isaiah 65: 1-9 Psalm 22: 18- 27 Galatians 3; 23-29 Luke 8: 26-29</i>	<i>I Kings 19: 15- 16, 19- 21 Psalm 16 Galatians 5: 1, 13- 25 Luke 9: 51- 62</i>
BRIAN WHATLEY	KATHY DEAL
Ron Mayberry Bert Babington	Lynnette van Heerden Rory Fitzpatrick
Rory Fitzpatrick	Ron Mayberry
Betty Langhorst Debbie Fitzpatrick	Janie Parker Janet Moore
Melanie Winkler Austin Shelton	Kelly Parker Mason Garner
Kathy Watkins Faye Wynn	Debbie Fitzpatrick Holly Johnson
Pat Parker Mike Kendrick Denise Shelton	Sissy Brown Mary Taylor
Mike Endicott	Mike Endicott



*Nick Markowink
May ann
Anna Ferguson
Bryanna Flowers
Zoe Rowe*

*Dear Outreach Committee,
Thank you for your most generous
donation to Riverside's Destination
Imagination team. You have helped us
reach our goal of being able to compete
at Global Finals in Knoxville, TN. My
kids will get to meet people from all
over the world, and they are so
excited! Thank you for making this
trip-of-a-lifetime possible.
♡ Linda & Mike Endicott*



OUR MINISTRIES MOVE FORWARD

St. James is pleased to report that despite the disruption our kitchen renovation has caused in the Parish Hall, we are able to continue all of our current ministries without any upheaval. Parishioners continue to provide meals for the freezer, which are given away steadily each week to those who come to the door and indicate they or their families are hungry. Cold drinks are still available for sale as a fundraiser for the EYC, still housed in the old, sad fridge. However, the new unit purchased specifically for beverages has been delivered and will be ready for use as soon as there is a place for permanent installation.

Our stove was most recently delivered and it took a lot of work to get it into the building, as it was too wide for the job to be simple. However, this was anticipated and dealt with according to the plan already in place. As the oven and range weigh over 600 lbs, it took a lot of muscle to wrestle it into the building. Thanks to the gentlemen who participated in this endeavor!

Photo courtesy Jnanne Zepeda

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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LECTIONARY		<i>1 Kings 17: 17- 24</i> <i>Psalms 30</i> <i>Galatians 1: 11-24</i> <i>Luke 7: 11- 17</i>	<i>2 Samuel 11: 26- 12:10,</i> <i>13-15</i> <i>Psalms 32</i> <i>Galatians 2: 15- 21</i> <i>Luke 7: 36- 8: 3</i>
VESTRY PERSON		KAREN MCDONALD	PAT PARKER
EUCCHARISTIC 8:30 MINISTER 11:00		Rory Fitzpatrick Ken Murphy	Janie Parker Brian Whatley
LAY READER 11:00		Dan Bennett	Ken Murphy
LECTORS 8:30 11:00		Debbie Fitzpatrick Karen McDonald	Lynnette van Heerden Kathy Calhoun
ACOLYTES 8:30 11:00		Melanie Winkler Austin Shelton	Kelly Parker Mason Garner
ALTAR GUILD		Kelly Parker Liz Montelepre	Kathy Watkins Faye Wynn
USHERS 8:30 11:00		Debbie Fitzpatrick Mike Kendrick Denise Shelton	Pat Parker Sissy Brown Sara Lewis
MASTER OF CEREMONIES VERGER			Mike Endicott

MASS ON THE GRASS MAY 22

In celebration of spring and Pentecost St. James will enjoy a combined service at 10am on Trinity Sunday, May 22 with an outdoor Eucharist followed by a parish-wide potluck luncheon. Bring your favorite RED dish to share and enjoy the company of your St. James family as we revel in the beauty of the season.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Please join your St. James family for dinner and board games at 6:30pm the first Friday of the month through the summer:

June 3 Pizza dinner

July 1 Picnic dinner

August 5 Mexican dinner

Sign up in the Parish Hall so we prepare the right amount of food, bring friends and family, and COME HAVE FUN!

THE MISSION CONTINUES...with a PopUp Clinic in Homer, LA



St. Luke's set up in the Claiborne Memorial Medical Center Customer Service Office, just off the lobby. Mary, from MLK Health Center set up in the lobby.



The Pink Ribbon PopUp Clinic held in Homer, LA April 28, 2016 was sponsored by Susan G. Komen Northwest LA, Partners in Wellness, MLK Health Center, and St. Luke's Episcopal Medical Ministry. Bonnie and Patti only saw three or four people, but seeing just one person could save a life. —Kathy Deal

Clinic in Minden Held each First Saturday of the Month



Tommy Davis, the Mayor of Minden dropped by during the May 7th clinic. Bonnie, Patti, and LaToya saw fourteen clients.



Jimmy checks the medical van's fluid levels at the Minden Clinic.



CONSTRUCTION IS UNDERWAY

St. James has begun construction on the kitchen remodeling project. Walls are being removed in order for new ones to be built. New appliances are arriving, and old ones are being repositioned to make way for the structural work. As you pass through the Parish Hall, please take the time to enjoy the mess we have made as we transition from the old to the new and try to envision the wonderful work we will soon accomplish in our newly renovated space!

Photos courtesy
Kathy Deal



St. Paul's Gift Shop

275 Southfield Road, Shreveport, LA 71105
318-868-8968

We would love for you to drop by the shop and browse around! Our new manager, Jeanette Mladenka, has been to the market and has brand new items—from crosses and books to jewelry and clothing, we have all kinds of gifts from which to choose! Please support your local Episcopal Gift Shop—the only one in the diocese.

Amelia Grace Jordan
St. Paul's Parish Administrator



Open Sunday noon to 1pm
Tues, Thurs, Sat 10am to 4pm
Wed, Fri 10am to 6pm
(closed on Monday)



A Eulogy for Duane Cloud

Anyone who knew my parents, Marty and Duane Cloud, could tell you I had a wonderful childhood and excellent role models for life. **It's really hard to talk about them separately because they were such a unified team. I guess one of the greatest compliments I could give them is to say that my parents were the sort of people I aspire to be.** Kristi described them so well when she said: "They taught me that love is both a precious gift and a lifetime commitment; anger, disappointment, differing opinions or often stupid decisions are temporary events (and hopefully learning opportunities) and NEVER change their love; affection and laughter can improve almost any situation; and God is the answer . . . even when you don't understand the question."

They loved children (all children) and believed their upbringing to be the most important role in any adult's life. Subsequently, parenting was their greatest responsibility and one of their greatest gifts. They continued that legacy into their grandparenting years and rarely missed events that were important to any of their grandchildren. They began a tradition which we continue now of gathering at Mt. Nebo each summer for a family vacation. Our time spent at Mt. Nebo was intended to be time that we really spent interacting together. Electronics were off limits - televisions, video games, DVD players etc. You could bring instruments to make music - but no radios, CDs or MP3 players were allowed. The intent was to interact with each other. So we hiked, swam, played board games, read books, worked puzzles, sang songs, cooked together, and each cleaned our own dishes after every meal. It is time that is set aside **for truly being together in every sense of the word. If you've heard any of the grandchildren speak about their Dad, Mt. Nebo time** always comes up in the conversation.

My dad came from humble beginnings, raised on a farm in Castor, LA. So he was no stranger to hard work or prejudice from those **who thought they were better than he.** I'm sure many of his childhood experiences influenced the man he would ultimately become. As children we were often entertained by his story-telling ability. He could certainly spin a good yarn. Some of them included the first pair of shoes he got was when he started to school, he told us about walking to school (in the snow – uphill – both ways!) There were **stories of running away and hopping on a train, putting a cow on top of a store, placing tombstones in someone's front yard, the donkey in the dorm room and many others.** One of his mantra's was – the next best thing to the truth, is a lie well told!

He had a funny, yet endearing habit of nicknaming special people in his life. So if you had a nickname from Duane, you know you were special. Some of the ones that come to mind – The Priest and the Princess, Josiah, Boog, Bowlie Annie, Slim Jim, Prissy Lucy, **Mighty Mite, Monkey Mess, Fer, Randa May, Karen squared, Potty Trot, and many more.** I'm sure you all know your own.

He embraced learning and was fascinated by God' creation. He was a voracious reader, an avid writer and enjoyed the art of words. He loved laughter and frequently laughed at himself. Kris says, "His sense of humor was infectious, his capacity for love was endless, his wisdom was limitless, and his faith in God permeated every corner of his life." He was brilliant, and he certainly worked hard, but he always believed he received many blessings in this life and felt a great responsibility for that.

He frequently quoted a portion of Luke 12:48 to us as children and long into our adulthood: NRS - . . . **"From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required; and from the one to whom much has been entrusted, even more will be demanded."**

In deference to his faith he was committed to leaving this world a better place than he found it. And I believe he was successful in that **endeavor. He certainly touched the lives of all of us here today, and he touched so many more that we'll never truly know.** He did so through his job and through his community involvement like the Chamber, the Jaycees, and the Lions Club. He also served on many governing boards through the church – he served on the first Commission on Ministry for the Diocese of Western Louisiana, he served on the Louisiana Secretariat for Cursillo, as well as the Board for Seminary of the Southwest and the Advisory Council for Kairos Outside. He was also on the board of Habitat for Humanity/Fuller Center for Housing and spent many of his final years working diligently for that great cause. He spent time tutoring math for some kids who struggled with school in general and he taught them a few life lessons along the way. He fought for the underdog, helped kids (and adults) understand their value and importance, and championed children every chance he got.

In an Interview with one of his grandchildren for a school project, he was asked what he wanted his descendants to remember about him. **And my Daddy said: "I want you to tell your grandchildren that I have laughed and loved live. I was blessed with the good fortune to marry a woman who added immeasurably to the gene pool of my descendants. I have discovered that there is very little in this earthly life that has any meaning except for family and friends – and you can never have too many of either. I can not accept the premise that this part of the galaxy that I inhabit is the result of some cosmic accident. I believe in a Creator God and that faith in God does truly give meaning and purpose to human life. I acknowledge that the happiest moments in life for me are when I can be truly selfless, think not of me at all, but work at trying to help others (or just one). I lament that my happiest moments are few because, alas, I can not remain selfless for a long period of time. My life's story will be lived by my descendants- because they are what they are, because of me– or in spite of me."**

Karen Cloud McDonald



KAIROS OUTSIDE BENEFITS FROM BREAKFAST

Kairos Outside is a weekend retreat designed specifically for women who have relatives or friends who are or have been incarcerated. The weekend is provided at no cost to the participants. The purpose of Kairos Outside is to demonstrate God's grace and love through Christian support. Our hope is that the Guests, having felt that grace and love, will decide they want this support in their lives. The structure of the weekend proper is intended to pamper these women, show them unconditional love in action, give them some useful information while sharing others' experiences, provide them an opportunity for a long-term support system and even some nice surprises. Any adult female 20 years old, or older, whose life has been impacted by the incarceration of relatives or friends, is eligible to attend a Kairos Outside Weekend.

I can not define to you the immense fulfillment of serving these wounded children of God. I have spent many years participating in various types of outreach, but nothing touches my heart like this ministry. It is not something that I can explain, it's something that you have to experience. It's a whole different dimension of intimacy with God. I will be happy to discuss any points in greater detail with any of you. Please pray about whether He is calling you for this service.

Karen McDonald



Photos courtesy
Kathy Deal

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS!

The Vestry has requested that we start a new venture: Share the good news! We readily add names to the prayer list for Sundays, confident that the combined supplications of the parish will be beneficial to the prayer recipient. However, we don't always share with everyone when circumstances change, health improves, or life just gets better. St. James, let's take the time to rejoice in the good news when we can.

For example, we have been praying for the people of Flint, MI, at the request of Betty Loving. Several generations of her family live in Flint and have been affected by the poisoned water. Betty reported recently that all tests so far indicate the babies, children, and adults have been tested for lead poisoning and all results indicate each person in her family is fine. While this situation is far from over, your prayers are being answered in a positive manner.

Also, we have been praying for Judy Kaye, each Sunday. She is a friend of mine who has been undergoing treatment for a fast-growing pancreatic cancer that had metastasized into her lungs. She had not been feeling well for a very long time, treatments were making her very ill and she had decided to stop fighting. However, her daughter (an oncology nurse who lives half the country away from her) convinced her to try a new treatment—a different type chemo therapy that had shown positive results for this type of cancer in several of her patients.

I received word today that Judy Kaye's latest test results reveal that she is in remission. In her own words, "Fantastic news! I am in remission. Half the hundreds of tumors in my lungs are gone, and the pancreas tumor is more than half gone, and [my] Dr. believes what is left is dead tumor tissue. Three more months of chemo, another scan to see how much more work this chemo has done. "

These two examples will remain on the prayer list each Sunday for a while, yet, as they are not completely out of the woods and continued prayers are needed. However, it is nice to hear that things are improving. The Vestry invites more stories of how our prayers are being effective. Please share your good news.

—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@comcast.net, or dropped at the parish office.

Newsletter deadline: June 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@comcast.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

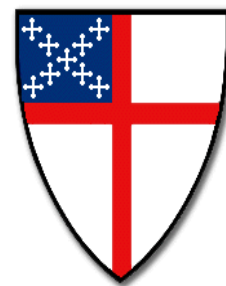
Wednesday—Holy Eucharist with Unction, 10am



COMMUNITY GARDEN THRIVES

It should come as no surprise to the parish that the St. James Community Garden is right on schedule with the spring crop. The garden committee has been working hard to keep the plants healthy and well-tended. The squash and cucumbers are prolific in their blossoms, a good sign for things to come. The tomato plants have sturdy, thick stems and already are sprouting small marble-sized fruit. Come on out to the garden when you are on the grounds and take a gander at the beauty that will soon be feeding the neighborhood.

Photos courtesy Kathy Deal



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.