

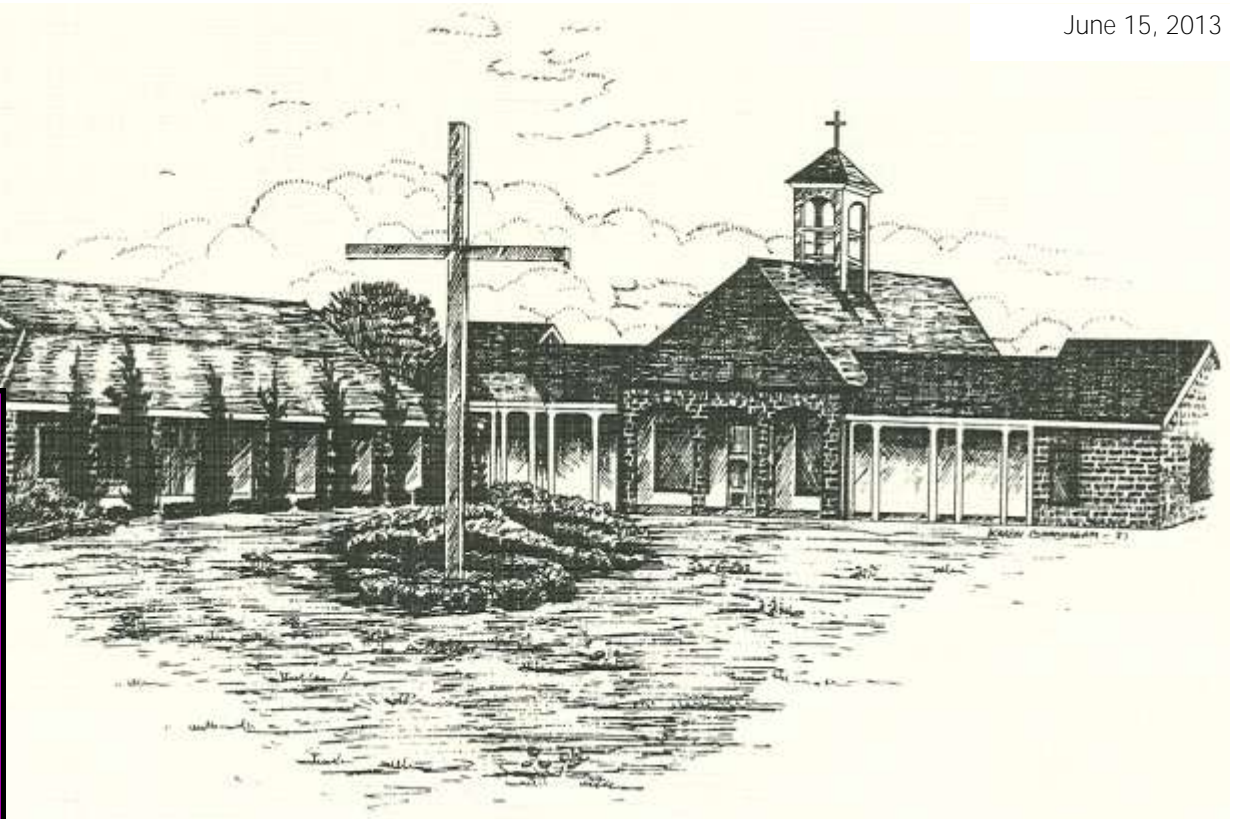
# *The Spirit of St. James*

The Newsletter from St. James Episcopal Church

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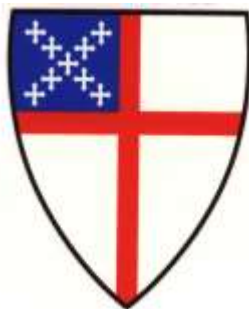
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## A MESSAGE FROM MORGAN

Dear Family of St. James,

This past week we held our sixth annual Legacy Luncheon here at St. James. The intent of this gathering was to give us all a chance to pay homage to the older generations that have gone before us and that are still in our midst who have laid the foundation of faith we as a congregation stand upon. I have always been impressed and intrigued by St. James because we are still a relatively young parish. What I mean by this is that some of our current members had a hand in shaping this congregation from the very beginning and they are still here and willing to share their stories with us. Our history is rich and Roger and Molly Wilkinson did an excellent job on Wednesday of conveying the important role St. James has played in their lives.



Legacy Luncheon always gets me thinking about the older and wiser people in my life who have shaped my faith and given me an appreciation for and a better understanding of what it means to belong to a Christian community. The truth is that there are so many, I could fill this entire newsletter with stories. I have been truly blessed with great spiritual guidance and encouragement throughout my life, but today I will limit my story telling to one person - my grandmother. Most of you see her at 11 o'clock on Sunday morning. She and my mom sit towards the front on the Gospel side. She is faithful in attendance, but what you might not know about her is that she has a very strong personal prayer life. As far back as I can remember, she has gotten in bed 30-45 minutes early every single night to pray. Talking to God is just part of her daily routine - it's like breathing. She is one of the only people I know that has pretty much memorized the Book of Common Prayer. In fact, she was telling me the other day that while in the hospital she has still been able to keep up her nightly regime of prayer even without her book. She has been saying those prayers for so long, the words have soaked into her skin. Her days and nights are shaped and formed with those words in the back of her mind. What a great way to live! She has always encouraged her family to take their faith seriously and I think it is because of her that most all of us (and believe me there are lots - 3 children, 8 grandchildren and 11 greats - with three more on the way) are still very connected and involved in the life of the Church. I hope to be able to instill in my children and grandchildren the joy of worshipping and learning about Christ that she has instilled in me.

Who are the older and wiser people in your lives that have shaped your faith and understanding of Christian community? Take some time this week or next to tell them how much their encouragement and support has meant to you. Let's honor those in our lives who have given and continue to provide us with a strong foundation on which to build our faith.

Blessings,

*Morgan +*

## Outreach News

Outreach is planning to send a check to the Diocese of Oklahoma and is collecting gift cards to help people rebuild. If you would like to donate gift cards of any amount, you may leave them in the offering plate on Sunday or give them to Karen Waguespack or Lois Maberry, co-chairs of Outreach. You may also drop them off at the parish office during business hours. Moore, Oklahoma has a Lowe's Home Improvement, a Home Depot, and a Wal-Mart, so cards from these businesses would be easy to use.

Thanks to those who have already sent assistance through Episcopal Relief and Development, either by using the flyers in the Sunday bulletins or by writing a designated check and leaving it in the offering plate. It is not too late to contribute in this manner, also. Our June breakfast raised \$193.00 which we donated to ER-D, as designated by the cooks—the 20's and 30's Group.

We are pleased with the continued support of the Goodwill and Salvation Army donations. Many people in our community are being positively affected directly and indirectly through these ministries. Another batch of Goodwill vouchers were recently delivered to the Project ING/I2D for distribution to those they serve, as a result of the bags deposited in the Parish Hall.

Keep up all the good work!

## Vestry Meeting Highlights—May 2013

The vestry met on Sunday, June 02, 2013, after the second service. Summer plans were discussed and once again, St James is going to be a busy place! Watch your newsletter for scheduled events. The women's restroom in the parish hall is now fully handicapped accessible...thank you Keith and Lois.

The vestry was reminded that the thermostats in the church are programmed for Sunday and Wednesday services. Any time they are adjusted from those two programs, they MUST be reset by pushing the "run program" button. Otherwise, they will not run as programmed.

We have plans for a Back Pack/School Supply drive scheduled for August. We can all begin purchasing standard school supplies now on our trips to stores that have them. This is going to be a really big outreach program by St James.

Eighteen new niches for the columbarium have been approved for purchase. They are being pre-sold now and are \$850/each. If you were at the adult forum that discussed funerals and expenses, you know that the St James columbarium is a real bargain! Purchase your niche now by phoning the office.

July 28<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate St James Day (7/25) with one service at 10am and a pot luck luncheon afterward...start planning on bringing lots and lots of food. We here at St James love to eat and we all know we have some great cooks, too.

—Janie Parker, Clerk



We are collecting  
**Gift Cards**  
to be distributed  
by a group of workers  
going from our Diocese  
to Oklahoma July 8-12

Gift cards of any increment may be delivered to the Parish Office, to Lois Maberry or Karen Waguespack, or placed in the Sunday or Wednesday **offering plate. Cards from Lowe's, Home Depot, or Wal-Mart** would be very useful.

## ACCESSIBILITY UPDATE

The Vestry has taken on the task of working to make St. James accessible to all our parishioners. We have completed the wonderful ramp into the Parish Hall that has made this easy for all to enter safely. The bathroom in the vesting room is accessible as is the Ladies bathroom in the Parish Hall. Lastly we would like to address the needs for all to have a comfortable place to sit in the sanctuary of the church. A suggestion was to remove ½ of a pew on each side of the church so a wheelchair or walker could easily fit and the person using this device would have a place for family to join them for the service. If you have an opinion about this idea, please discuss this matter with a Vestry member as we will be discussing this at our June meeting and working on a plan. If there are any other projects you would like to see addressed about the physical plant, please let one of the Vestry members know. We always appreciate input from the congregation. Thanks.

—Lois Maberry

Join us as we

set sail on the SSArk

with our captain Noah

and our cruise director Debbie Fitzpatrick.

during

VBS

In the

GARRETT-HALL BUILDING

July 30, 31, & August 1

We will begin with a light dinner at 6:30pm  
and finish each evening at 8pm.

Contact Debbie Fitzpatrick to volunteer your help with teaching, feeding the multitudes, preparing the space, making crafts, etc.



# Welcome, Jacob, Chris, Johnny, and Hannah

May 19 was a very special day for our parish. Not only was it the Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday, it was also the day Bishop Jake was here to confirm and receive those wishing to make a commitment to the Episcopal Church—Chris Bienvenu, Johnny Salter, and Hannah Parker. And, to make it even more special, it was the date of the baptism of Jacob King. We welcome each of these people into the family of St. James and the Episcopal Church.

We've known Hannah since she was born and baptized here, but the other three are relatively new to our parish. Jacob comes with his mother, Khristen King, each Sunday. Johnny lives next door in Summerfield Estates and was raised in the Baptist tradition. He's been attending services and special functions at St. James for several months. Chris moved here from Lafayette a couple of years ago and is very happy to have finally found a church home where he feels welcome and comfortable. He was received from the Roman Catholic Church.



We look forward to getting to know each of our new members even better as we grow together.



Thanks to Debbie Fitzpatrick for providing the top two photos. The other three were swiped from Bishop Jake's facebook page!



## EYC TO EMBARK ON AN ADVENTURE AUGUST 9, 10, & 11

The EYC is heading out for a weekend retreat—just for fun and relaxation. Several activities are being planned to provide fresh air, exercise, great eats, fellowship, and entertainment. Our youth should return refreshed and ready for school—well, and maybe a little sleepy.

Contact Debbie Fitzpatrick for details about the trip. Any youth in middle school or high school who wishes to participate in any of the EYC activities are encouraged to do so.

In order to afford the trip, the youth are holding two fundraisers. The first will be breakfast on July 7 in the Parish Hall. The second will take place on St. James Day, when they plan to wash cars for parishioners while they worship. You can park your car, go into church, and come back out to a sparkling, clean vehicle! Donations are accepted at both events.

## ST. JAMES SUPPER CLUB

**Who:** Those interested in a little pure social fellowship

**When:** One evening in July and one evening in August

**Where:** A home of a St. James parishioner

**What to bring:** Side, salad, or dessert and each person will provide their meat of choice to grill OR host will choose to provide a main dish

All interested please contact the church office with info of:

- Yes I am interested
- Yes I am willing to host
- I would like it on Wed. evening or Fri. evening

Sounds like fun, so let us hear from you.

—Lois Maberry



## THE MISSION CONTINUES...

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

Summer is a great time to try something new. If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity for the summer, the St. Luke's Medical Van has many opportunities. We have opportunities on the van to provide patient care, drive the van, provide health and nutritional education to clients, pray with clients, register clients and inform them about other available community resources. We also have volunteer opportunities in our office.

We have many dedicated volunteers. This past month I asked a few why they volunteer. Here are a few of their answers:

"I love giving back to my community."

"It helps me to see how blessed I am when I work with people that have so few resources."

"I keep volunteering because of the clients that we serve, they are so appreciative."

Volunteering is a great way to stay involved in our community and use the talents and skills that we all have. To find out more about volunteering please contact Brenda Nims at 424-0156 or [stlukesmedicalministry@yahoo.com](mailto: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.

	<i>The 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost</i>	<i>The 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost St James Day 10 AM Service</i>
	<i>JULY 21</i>	<i>JULY 28</i>
	<i>Genesis 18:1-10a Psalm 15 Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42</i>	<i>Genesis 18:20-32 Psalm 138 Colossians 2:6 15, 16-19 Luke 11:1-13</i>
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	Lynnette van Heerden Larry Lashley	Dan Bennett
	Brian Whatley	Lois Maberry
	Janie Parker Sissy Brown	Pat Parker
	Melanie Winkler Rory Fitzpatrick	Kendall Parker Austin Shelton
	Janie Parker Linda Endicott Denise Shelton	Janie Parker Linda Endicott Denise Shelton
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# St. James Episcopal Church

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7 8:30 AM Morning Prayer 9:15 AM Parish Breakfast 11:00 AM Morning Prayer	8	9	10 10 a
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21 8:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:15 AM Coffee 11:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II  HAPPY BIRTHDAY Julia Cummings Michael Wainwright	22  HAPPY BIRTHDAY Sissy Brown	23  HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Jimmy & Kathy Deal	24 10 a
28 ST JAMES DAY CELEBRATION 10 AM Service Pot Luck Lunch  HAPPY BIRTHDAY Angie Noelani Larry Porter	29	30  VBS 6:30PM- 8PM  HAPPY BIRTHDAY Candi Gibson	31 10 a  6:3







		<i>The 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost</i>  <i>Morning Prayer JULY 7</i>	<i>The 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost</i>  <i>Morning Prayer JULY 14</i>
<b>LECTIONARY</b>		<i>Isaiah 66:10-14 Psalm 66:1-8 Galatians 6:7-16 Luke 10 1-11, 16-20</i>	<i>Deuteronomy 30:9-14 Psalm 25:1-9 Colossians 1:1 14 Luke 10:25-37</i>
<b>VESTRY PERSON</b>		<b>LORAIN THRASH</b>	<b>LYNNETTE VAN HEERDE</b>
<b>EUCHARISTIC MINISTER</b>	<b>8:30 11:00</b>	Lynnette van Heerden	Janie Parker
<b>LAY READER</b>	<b>11:00</b>	Dan Bennett	Lois Maberry
<b>LECTORS</b>	<b>8:30 11:00</b>	Pat Parker Lois Maberry	Molly Wilkinson Lauren Ocmand
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	<b>8:30 11:00</b>	Melanie Winkler Austin Shelton	Hannah Parker Mason Garner
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>		Debbie Fitzpatrick Holly Johnson	Debbie Fitzpatrick Holly Johnson
<b>USHERS</b>	<b>8:30 11:00</b>	Pat Parker Mike Kendrick Ron Maberry	Roger Wilkinson Sissy Brown Mary Taylor
<b>MASTER OF CEREMONIES VERGER</b>		Mike Endicott	Mike Endicott

## July Anniversaries

John Alex & Brittany Kellogg	July 16
Jimmy & Kath Deal	July 23

## July Birthdays

Robbie Carroway	July 5
Suzy Adcock	July 12
Morgan MacIntire	July 13
Lois Frasier	July 14
Marjorie Martin	July 16
Susan Bryant	July 17
Robert Haldeman	July 19
Julia Cummings	July 21
Michael Wainwright	July 21
Sissy Brown	July 22
Abigail Jacobs	July 25
Angie Noelani	July 28
Larry Porter	July 28
Candi Gibson	July 30

## A BREAKFAST INVITATION

The EYC is planning an upcoming adventure. They invite you to come and share breakfast in the Parish Hall on July 7 when they will host the first of their fundraisers to prepare for the journey.

What could be a better way to spend some time between services that Sunday than enjoying great food in the company of good friends and helping our youth in the process?

## DIRECTORY UPDATE

Please add the following new information to your directory:

Johnny Salter  
Summerfield Estates  
9133 Baird Road, Apt 207  
Shreveport, LA 71118  
(318)

Christopher Bienvenu  
8500 Jackson Square, Apt 3-C  
Shreveport, LA 71115  
(337) 349-7115  
chrisbienvenu@gmail.com

Dr. Charles and Sara Larimore  
Summerfield Estates  
9133 Baird Road, #235  
Shreveport, LA 71118  
(318) 686-1963

**Karen Bryant's e-mail address is**  
karenena65@bellsouth.net

Doris Richardson has moved to  
203 E. Village Court  
Natchitoches, LA 71457  
(318) 356-9928

**Debbie Barnwell's new apartment is #1207**  
And her e-mail is now deb.barn@aol.com

## CONGRATS ON HONORS!!

Congratulations to Mary Katheryn Barefield who, on May 18th, graduated magna cum laude from Louisiana Tech University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in a political science major. She will continue her education this fall where she has been accepted into Loyola University Law School in New Orleans.

Mary Katheryn is the daughter of David & Lisa Barefield and the grand-daughter of Margaret Anderson.

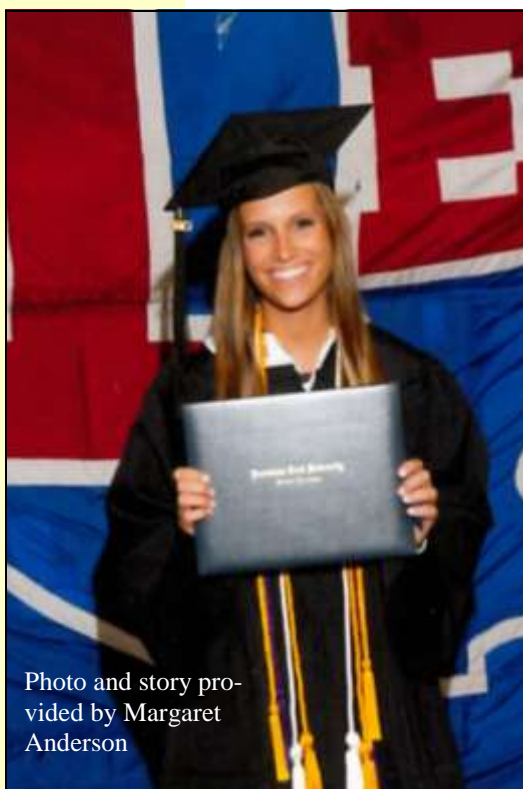


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Peace I leave with you;  
my peace I give to you.

I do not give  
to you as  
the world  
gives.

John 14:27



Thank you, St. James  
Episcopal church!

The fruit of the Spirit is love,  
joy, peace, patience, kindness,  
generosity, faithfulness.  
Galatians 5:22

the Miller family 5/28/13

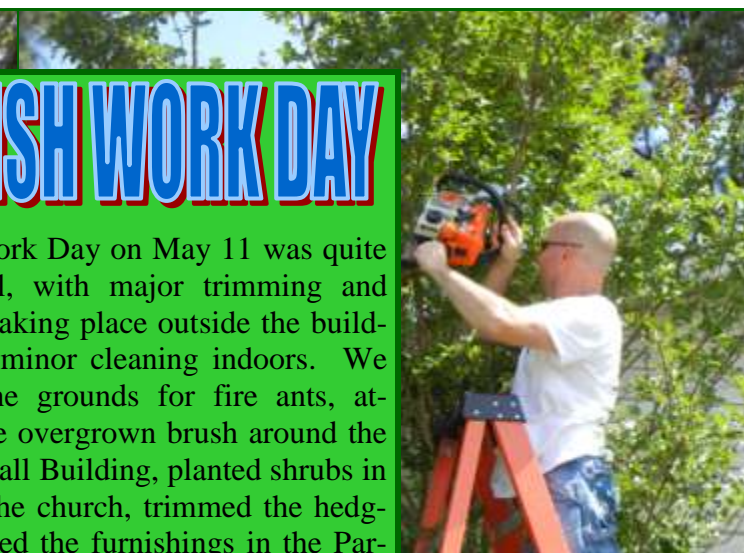


## PARISH WORK DAY

Parish Work Day on May 11 was quite successful, with major trimming and planting taking place outside the buildings and minor cleaning indoors. We treated the grounds for fire ants, attacked the overgrown brush around the Garrett-Hall Building, planted shrubs in front of the church, trimmed the hedges, replaced the furnishings in the Parish Hall (after George Shafer and Khristen King completed the floor buffing earlier in the week), cleaned the clutter from the vesting room, changed light bulbs, dusted pews—well, pretty much completed our spring cleaning to spruce up the property. Thanks to all who helped with all this work!!!



Thanks to Kathy Deal  
for the photos





Pentecost was certainly a day of celebration at St. James. From the vast array of red clothing to the red desserts featured in the cake walk (yes, that is Bishop Jake participating in the game), we observed this holy day in what has become our tradition. We painted the parish red, relishing the fact that it just happened to coincide with the Bishop's visit, two confirmations, one reception, and one baptism. Although the stormy weather forced us to improvise with all our social activities squeezed into the Parish Hall, we definitely had multiple reasons to celebrate!



**PENTECOST**



Photos provided  
by Kathy Deal





Photos provided by  
Debbie Fitzpatrick



## YOUTH SUNDAY

On May 12 we honored our younger members on Youth Sunday...and they honored us by greeting us at the door, ushering us to our seats, reading us the lessons, and serving at the altar. The Prayers of the People used in the 11:00am service was written by our youth for this special service. We are very proud of our young members and look forward to each of our interactions with them as we grow together in



## Jam Sessions

### WHILE THE CAT'S AWAY THE MICE WILL PLAY

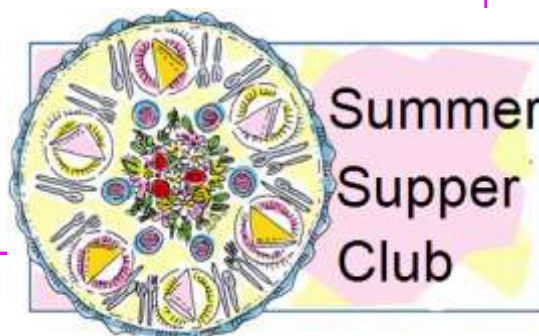
Do you think summer at St. James will be boring and tame while Morgan is on maternity leave? Well, think again. Our wardens are looking into some awesome activities—but they have a better chance of reaching fruition with your help and participation.

Curtis Shelton is organizing Summer Jam Sessions where musicians get together just to play and have fun. Folk who enjoy music and just want to hang out and listen will also be welcome. If you want to see this happen, contact Curtis.



If you are interested in joining others for the occasional relaxing dinner this summer, contact Lois Maberry. Anyone is welcome to host a meal or attend a meal. Lois is working out the details—volunteer to aid her in getting this off the ground.

Watch for more details in the Sunday bulletin announcements and the next *Spirit*.





# LOVE: IT COMES IN ALL COLORS

I found a t-shirt the other day while sorting through boxes that hadn't been opened since a move a few years back. It was one of my favorites for many years. I purchased it at a fund-raiser for what was, in the mid-1980's, a brand new student organization on the campus of the University of Illinois: Inter-racial. Their purpose was to provide support to inter-racial couples, "because people aren't color coded." Their goal was to educate the community so that the organization would no longer need to exist—so people would realize that people are people and race is an artificial barrier.

And that reminded me of an experience I'd had in the mid-seventies when I was traveling with a sixty-voice choir, The Family of God. We had performed at a church in Georgia where we'd had a regular annual gig. However, after this particular performance we were advised that we were not welcome to ever return. At the time I thought it was because they were offended by our take on a song, *I am a Promise*, in which we removed our red choir robes to reveal black (almost knee-length) shorts, black vest, white shirt, and white bow tie, before picking up our silver top hats and black canes and performing a chorus line kick.

Decades later I wonder if the real kicker had been a different number, one in which we went into the audience and passed out colorful balloons while singing, *Love, It Comes in all Colors*. Here are a few of the words:

Love, it comes in all colors.  
You can accept it, or you can be blind.  
Good, it comes in all colors.  
When you accept it more love you will find.  
**Love inside a person isn't strong or weak through color.**  
Attitude and spirit are what make you real.  
**What you look like on the outside doesn't really matter.**  
**If you know the Son of God, it's how you feel.**



I just have to wonder, was it the rather tame chorus line with the inspirational words that offended?

I can go anywhere that He wants me to go.  
I can be anything that he wants me to be.  
I can climb the high mountains. I can cross the wide sea. I am a great big promise, you see.  
I am a promise to be anything God wants me to be.

Or was it the song about the foolishness of racial prejudice that offended? Or maybe the combination of the two? To my knowledge we were never given a specific reason.

But I am glad that I grew up among people who didn't find either offensive. And I am pleased to be a part of a church that is very adamant and sincere in welcoming everyone to the body of Christ. Thank goodness St James, as a part of the Episcopal Church, welcomes us all.

—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](mailto:stjames_sport@comcast.net), or dropped at the parish office.

Newsletter deadline: July 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](mailto: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

Bible Study, 10:30am



## **WOMEN'S RETREAT**

Thanks to Debbie  
Fitzpatrick for the  
photos on this page

Walking the labyrinth, noshing on goodies, relaxing, discussing..."The retreat was tailored around a cozy mountain lodge curriculum where we studied Ruth and Naomi and learned about faith, trust, friendship, loyalty and using our god given gifts."—Debbie Fitzpatrick

The parishioners who attended the women's retreat May 10-12 enjoyed a weekend of spiritual renewal, an opportunity to let their hair down with fewer responsibilities than they normally need to consider, and a chance to enjoy each others' company. They returned in time for the Youth Sunday events renewed and ready to face the world!

**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.