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The St. James' Epistle

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Easter Every Day

Sundays *in* Lent. Sundays *of* Easter. Two seasons, a lot of Sundays, and two different prepositions. Small words, so small that we hardly notice them, yet theologically loaded. So what's the difference? The difference is that though Lent has forty days, a number most of us can remember because we recall Jesus' forty days in the desert, that number doesn't include the Sundays. The Sundays are in Lent but not of it because every Sunday is a celebration of the resurrection. Even when the lessons are somber, even when the service begins with the confession of our sins, even when the vestments and hangings are a deep purple and we've stricken the alleluias from our vocabulary, Sunday remains a celebration of the resurrection. Then, when we arrive at Easter Day, all the days are of a piece. There is no distinction between a Monday and Sunday; every day is meant for Easter joy. It's Easter every day.

Easter every day. The resurrection can't be undone. Even in Lent. Yet I write not only because we don't tend to notice that message in Lent, but because we often fail to understand that reality much of the rest of the time, whether we're talking about the church calendar or our own lives. In May, even though Easter Sunday came late this year, for many of us (maybe most) Easter seems like last week's news both literally and metaphorically. Yet it is meant to be the news that transforms us daily. More than that, the power of that truth is meant to be a power that we bring into the world so that Easter becomes visible not only in our lives or in the life of the Church, but visible in and for the world.

This edition of *The Epistle* is full of news. There are announcements of upcoming events, reflections by two parishioners about the place of St. James' in their lives which are invitations to sup-

port both the For All the Saints capital campaign and annual stewardship, invitations to join in ministries in service to the world and ministries that support our worship and our life together on Madison Avenue. This month, like every other, *The Epistle* includes the parish register which notes the baptisms, the funerals or memorial services and sometimes the weddings that have taken place in prior months. Our newsletter contains all the things you would expect to find in such a publication. But everything in here is connected to the Gospel; everything meant to remind us and help us live out the reality that it is Easter every day.

The annual meeting, at which we elect a Warden and Vestry members, and the Community Festival take place every May. Sure enough, they're both in here. While parish elections may not prompt alleluias, those who stand for election publicly declare by their willingness to undertake this service that the Church's witness to the Gospel and the Vestry's responsibility to make sure we do that well shall be at the center of their own lives. The certainly seems worth an alleluia. The gala evening that is the culmination of the work of the Community Festival is always a good time. But this party isn't primarily about us. Or for us. It's for and about the people in this city that need to know, in the midst of sometimes crushing circumstances, that they are of value. To God and to us, their neighbors. The evening raises money for good programs and the people served by those programs, people we've come to know because parishioners have gone all over this city to find out what these programs do and those whom they serve. At baptism we promise to support the dignity of every human being. The Community Festival helps us live that promise. That's certainly worth an alleluia—or two. Then there is the parish register which, this month, lists funerals and baptisms. That little listing has Easter written all over it. Because what Jesus life, death and above

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A Campaign for St. James' Future

Extraordinary Times

I don't need to remind anyone that we live in extraordinary times. The upheaval in the Middle East, the tragedy in Japan, the uncertainty surrounding our economic recovery—it seems that every day the news brings us one more thing to be worried about. It's tempting to turn inward mentally and spiritually and tend to our own needs, our own concerns. But I ascribe to the old motto: 10% of life is what happens to you, and 90% is how you react to it. So when St. James' introduced a capital campaign late last year, my first reaction was like any good New Yorker being asked for money: "What? Are you kidding? In this terrible economic climate?" But then I reacted with my full support, based on the remarkable work I saw the church doing. My enthusiasm grew as I began to understand the broader rationale for the campaign. Being relatively new to the church, I was not as familiar with St. James' history and its wide range of activities and responsibilities, both spiritually and financially. Now, many months later, I am beginning to have a better idea of the scope of St. James' responsibilities, and the facts and figures supporting this campaign are very compelling.

It wasn't until I started meeting one-on-one with other parishioners to discuss the capital campaign that I really got it. I began understanding how St. James' has transformed many lives in a similar way to mine, and these personal stories, often shared over coffee, illustrated the impact of St. James' much better than any set of financial facts and figures ever could. *That was my "Ah ha!" moment.* Giving to St. James' is not like giving to the handful of other charitable organizations I regularly support. St. James' plays a very different role in my family's life, and as such, the capital campaign feels more like an opportunity to act decisively in support of the St. James' future than simply writing a check once a year to support a peripheral interest.

I encourage you to reflect upon the positive impact that St. James' has made through its ministries and signature programs, such as pastoral care, community service, the Lilly Fellowship and Partners in Mission. Your contribution of time and financial support will touch many thou-

For All the Saints is a campaign to ensure St. James' future as we restore our endowment and complete payment for our Bicentennial Organ. Parishioners are being asked to consider increased annual stewardship, along with a capital gift which may be paid over five years, so that this parish's ministries may to continue to flourish. Those who have already made a commitment have offered testimonies about their decision to do so; these are archived at www.stjames.org/capcam. If you want to know more how to participate in the campaign, contact Skip Schlafer at skip-schlafer@jdklote.com or 212.774-4235.

sands in need. I also encourage you to look at what the church means to you. Maybe you'll have your own "Ah ha!" moment. Maybe we can help you find it; when you get a call from me or a fellow parishioner requesting to meet with you and discuss the case for the capital campaign, rather than trying to figure out the fastest way to get us off the phone, take the meeting. I guarantee that it will be more pleasant, more educational and more interesting than you might ever have expected.

—John Trammell

An Expression of Thanks

There are many ways we can give thanks to God. We can give thanks through daily prayer or simply whenever we feel the need to speak with God with our thoughts of gratitude. All of us have many blessings for which we can feel grateful. Our families, friends and health are often what we feel most grateful for. Clearly during the trying economic environment of the past three years we have become more acutely aware of our own financial conditions and those of the various organizations we care about. As a result, we all must make choices with how and when our expressions of gratitude come in the form of a financial commitment.

When we are asked to think about making a financial commitment towards stewardship at St. James', we are asked to consider all the various programs that stewardship supports. Programs for children, education and mission are all beneficiaries of our stewardship. In addition, maintaining the physical property of our beautiful church requires considerable use of funds on an annual basis. Most of all, our extraordinary clergy and staff are well deserving of the financial support of the parishioners, whose needs they so beautifully attend to throughout the year.

When I think of stewardship, I simply wish to make a financial commitment as an expression of thanks for all the blessings in our world and for St. James' in particular.

—Gordon Smith



On April 2 the St. Jamesians, with Quizmaster Campbell Wharton, hosted the fifth annual Trivia Night fundraiser, this year with a Caribbean theme. More than 125 young adults representing eight New York City parishes competed to win prizes while raising more than \$3,000 for the St. Andre Episcopal School in Haiti.

Children's & Family Ministries

May and beyond for families

As the school year comes to a close, many families think about the long stretch of summer days ahead. For some, summer means moving to another locale entirely, and for others, it is a busy time of summer camp or weekday programs that happen in and around the City.

At St. James', activities for families continue throughout the month of May, and there is always a children's activity on Sundays in the summer as well. This year's schedule includes:

Church Family Picnic

Sunday, May 1

Bring your picnic lunch and blanket to church with you and we'll go over to Central Park after Church School for a relaxed time of food, fun and fellowship. All are welcome!

Race to Nowhere Documentary Screening and Discussion

Thursday, May 5, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

With no advertising and little news media attention, this movie has become a must-see for parents. \$10 advance tickets are recommended; purchase <http://www.racetonowhere.com/state-screenings/NY>.

Make Your Banner Square

by Friday, May 6

The Children's & Family Ministries 2010-2011 banner will be made up of lots of separate felt squares. Every child is encouraged to create a square and be represented on the banner. Felt squares and instructions can be picked up at the Parish House reception desk and must be returned by Friday, May 6. The banner will be on display at Recognition Sunday, May 22, and will take its place with those from previous years downstairs in Donegan Hall. For more information, contact Vicki Hall at 212.774-4232 or vhall@stjames.org.

Family Friday Bingo Night

Friday, May 13, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Enjoy pizza, bingo and prizes with friends. The Rev. Will Peyton is making his bingo-calling debut. The cost is \$5/person with a maximum of \$20/family. For more information contact Sue Bennett at suebennett@nyc.rr.com or Susanne Blackstock at sblackstock@verizon.net.

Recognition Sunday

Sunday, May 22

Please come thank our incredibly dedicated Church School teachers and Youth Leaders and Advisors as we honor them for a fabulous year of teaching following the 9:10 a.m. worship service.

Summer Sundays for Children

begins May 29

From May 29 through September 4 we have a program for children each Sunday morning, and Nursery and Toddler care are available.

On Sunday mornings, May 29 to June 12 and July 17 to September 4, we hold a multi-age Church School class during the 10:30 a.m. service. Sundays from June 19 to July 10 we Discover and Celebrate God's Creation from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, taking weekly excursions into Central Park. Whenever you're in town, please join us. Casual attire is appropriate. Bring friends!



Annual Meeting

Sunday, May 16, 10:15 a.m.

Nominees for Warden and Vestry Member

The Vestry consists of the Rector, two Wardens and twelve Vestry members. At the 2011 Annual Parish Election, the parish will elect one Warden for a two-year term and four of the twelve Vestry members, each for a three-year term.

Warden Bill Hoar is eligible for reelection. The terms of four Vestry members will expire after this year's election. Three Vestry members will have served their maximum terms and will be retiring: Sam Hutcheson, Charles McGill and Madeline Schroth. Patricia Ranson is eligible for reelection to a second term.

The Nominating Committee has nominated the following parishioners for the positions of Warden and Vestry member:

For Warden: William P. H. Hoar

For Vestry member (four to be elected): Sue Bennett, Sarah Marsh, Patricia Ranson, Holly Heston Rochell, Gordon Smith, Waddell W. Stillman, John B. Trammell, and Campbell Wharton

Vestry Voting Hours

- SUNDAY, MAY 1
8:30-9:10 a.m. (Parish House Reception Balcony)
10:15-11:15 a.m. (Parish House Reception Balcony and Donegan Hallway)
12:15-1:00 p.m. (Parish House Reception Balcony)
- TUESDAY, MAY 3
5:30-6:30 p.m.
(Parish House Reception)
- SUNDAY, MAY 8
8:30-9:10 a.m. (Parish House Reception Balcony)
10:15-11:15 a.m. (Parish House Reception Balcony and Donegan Hallway)
12:15-1:00 p.m. (Parish House Reception Balcony)
5:30-5:55 p.m.; 6:45-7:10 p.m. (Narthex)
- WEDNESDAY, MAY 11
6:00-7:00 p.m. (Sunderland Hall)
- THURSDAY, MAY 12
9:00-10:00 a.m.; 5:45-6:30 p.m. (Parish House Reception)
- SUNDAY, MAY 15
8:30-9:10 a.m. (Parish House Reception Balcony)

Confirmation, Reception, Membership, and the Bishop's Visit

Sunday, June 5

All baptized persons, in the course of their Christian development, "are expected, when they are ready and have been duly prepared, to make a mature public affirmation of their faith and commitment to the responsibilities of their Baptism and to receive the laying on of hands by the bishop."

—Book of Common Prayer, page 412

Because public common worship, among the many things we do at St. James', is the essential thing, you are a "member" of our worshiping community if you simply come to church and worship with us. And because the Church understands baptism to be full initiation into Christ's Body the Church, you are a "member" of the Church if you have been baptized—at any age, anywhere, by any Christian.

But what about being an Episcopalian? What about formalizing my membership here? What about promising to seek and serve God by participating in this community, in this tradition? If these questions speak to you, you may wish to consider being confirmed or received or making a reaffirmation of your baptismal promises in the presence of the Bishop of New York when he visits St. James' on Sunday, June 5. Already, more than twenty St. James' teenagers and adults are planning to participate. If you wish to explore what it might mean for you to join them, any of the clergy would welcome the opportunity to talk with you about your interest, your questions, and what kind of preparation would make the most sense for you, depending on your own perspective and experiences. You may contact the Rev. Will Peyton at 212.774-4255 or wpeyton@stjames.org to begin the conversation.

Gifts to St. James'

St. James' has received generous bequests this year from:

Robert Cohen, who, although Jewish, came to know St. James' through parishioner Dorothy DeBear, his cousin. Bob came to our Sunday services regularly for more than five years and also loved the Pastoral Luncheons at Christmas and Easter;

Carole Cushman, a long-time parishioner who was a Stephen Minister and active with the Community Festival. Carole was also on the Communications Committee and was an excellent and faithful editor and proofreader of *The St. James' Epistle* and other publications;

Dorothy Diebold, who had moved to Connecticut some decades ago. Dorothy was involved in the St. James' Women's Association, one of the very few places where women could be actively engaged in ministry here and in most churches in those days. This ministry is now largely subsumed in the work of the Parish Life Committee;

Mary Markham Hughes, who attended the 11:15 a.m. service for nearly forty years, and helped to run the thrift shop for Memorial Sloan Kettering for most of her life in New York. English by birth, and raised in Africa, she lived much of her adult life in New York City and had a great appreciation for being a part of a worldwide denomination; and

Elsa Shackleton, a long-time and faithful parishioner who wanted to ensure St. James' future by including the parish in her will. She was especially devoted to the Community Festival.

All parishioners who have remembered St. James' in their will or other estate plans are members of the Kinsolving Society, supporting the continuing ministries of St. James' by exemplifying Arthur Kinsolving's (12th Rector, 1947-1969) qualities of uncommon love and devotion to St. James' Church. If you have made such provisions, or would like to know how to do that, please contact Rosa Gentile in the Rector's office at 212.774-4251 or rgentile.stjames.org.



Music in May

Choral Evensong

Sunday, May 1, 4:00 p.m.

The St. James' Boys' & Girls' Choir and St. Cecilia Choir will sing Choral Evensong, a uniquely Anglican service of hymns, scripture, psalm chants, and anthems. In singing this liturgy, our young choristers join a tradition that is thousands of years old as they participate in the Daily Office of the Church. The liturgy as such dates to 1662 when Thomas Cramner revised the prayer book and combined the Roman services of Vespers and Compline. The well known Shaker hymn "How can I keep from Singing" and a set of responses by Christopher Jennings are among the music to be sung. Admission is free; all are invited to attend.

Duo Organ Recital

Saturday, May 14, 3:00 p.m.

Christopher Jennings, Associate Organist-Choirmaster and Brian Harlow, former Associate Organist, will present a concert of music for four hands and feet. Calvin Hampton's innovative and imaginative *Alexander Variations* for two organs was written on a mini Casio keyboard near the end of his life but is scored for two pedalboards and six keyboards. Francis Jackson's *Eclogue* is an organ and piano duet with soaring melody and rich, modern sonorities. Also on the program are works by Philip Moore and Gerre Hancock as well as a concerto for two organs by eighteenth-century Spanish Composer Antonio Soler. Tickets are \$20, \$10 students/seniors, available at the door.

Young Artists' Concert

Saturday, May 21, 11:00 a.m.

Children and youth of the parish are invited to perform for family and friends in this informal concert. Piano accompaniments can be provided for dance, singing, or solo instrumental performances. A light brunch for performers and their families follows. For more information, or to sign up to perform, contact Christopher Jennings, Associate Organist-Choirmaster and Music Associate for Children & Youth at 212.774-4204 or cjennings@stjames.org.

St. James' Church Community Festival

Passport to Asia

Wednesday, May 11, 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Join the St. James' Community Festival Committee and fellow parishioners for this wonderful Asian-themed party. There will be dining, dancing, Antiques & Treasures, vendors, and Mystery Boxes, our newest raffle, to raise funds for agencies serving those in need in New York City. This year the Spring Boutique, including the Antiques & Treasures room, will also be open during the day of May 11 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Antiques & Treasures room will continue selling on Thursday, May 12 from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

Visit www.stjames.org for details on the evening and RSVP online by Monday, May 9 at www.stjames.org/festival. For more information, or to volunteer to help, contact Grace Beacham at 212.774-4231 or gbeacham@stjames.org

—Rhonda Erb and Phillipa Wendel, Co-Chairs

St. James' Church Community Festival

Spring Boutique

This year's vendors (at time of publication) include

- Antiques & Treasures
- Belles Fleurs de Daiva
- Cassie Adams Designs
- Conchi
- Ginny H
- InStyle Design
- JL Lane *Crossing Borders*
- Julie Collection
- Little Follies
- Liz Victory Designs
- Luanne Vratton
- M. Savarine
- Meryl Foster Interior Design
- PJamas
- Philip Sawyer Designs
- Proverbial Knits
- Sparkly Bows
- St. James' Bicentennial Merchandise
- St. James' Partners in Mission
- Tara Wilson Designs
- With Love from India

Bring your friends and shop Wednesday, May 11 in support of the Festival. The popular Antiques & Treasures will be featured at the Boutique, and will also be open on Thursday morning.



The Festival Schedule

Tuesday, May 10
6:00-7:30 p.m.

Antiques & Treasures Preview Party

Wednesday, May 11
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
6:30-9:30 p.m.

St. James' Spring Boutique
including Antiques & Treasures

6:30-9:30 p.m.
Festival Gala

Thursday, May 12
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Antiques & Treasures



Duo organists Christopher Jennings and Brian Harlow.

Adult Ed Highlights for May

Sunday, May 1, 10:30 a.m.

Parenting Discussion

Dorothy Hutcheson, parishioner and Head of the Nightingale-Bamford School, and the Rev. Craig Townsend, Vicar, will return to the conversation begun in February of Wendy Mogel's marvelous new book, *The Blessing of a B-Minus*. If you haven't had a chance to read it, or to finish it, now's the time! Mogel applies Jewish teachings to the joys of raising teenagers, and we'll look at how to add Christian concepts to her ideas.

Sunday, May 8, 10:30 a.m.

Reading the Bible as a Parish

The Rev. Craig Townsend, Vicar, will discuss in greater detail our plan to read the entire Bible together as a parish over the next two years, beginning next fall (see the article in the April *Epistle* on p. 6).

Parish Register

March 2011

Baptism

James Winfield Adams
son of Laura and Paul Adams

Louise Clark Bretschger, daughter of
Elizabeth and Teddy Bretschger

Burials

Mabel S. Weil
Lorin Hodges

Walter Brueggemann to Deliver Stillman Lecture

Monday, May 9, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

In The April *Epistle*, St. James' announced an exciting new initiative from the Adult Education committee to read the entire Bible together as a parish over the next two years. To help prepare for this ambitious project, and to set it off on the right direction, we have invited Dr. Walter Brueggemann to give the second annual Eugenia Stillman Lecture in Religion and Culture. His topic will be "All that Jazz: Surprised by Scripture," focusing on the ways in which God continues to provoke and inspire us through our reading of Scripture together. Dr. Brueggemann is professor emeritus of Old Testament at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia, and his nearly sixty books have made him one of the preeminent Bible scholars of our time. All are welcome to attend; there is no admission cost.

A widely sought-after preacher and lecturer, Dr. Brueggemann will also be the guest preacher at both the 9:10 and 11:15 a.m. services on Sunday, May 8.

Career Day

Tuesday, June 7, 2:45-6:15 p.m.

St. James' will host a Career Day at the Frederick Douglas Academy, heralded as the best college preparatory high school in Harlem. Parishioners will talk about their careers with students and, more importantly, answer questions about the wide range of professions found in the St. James' community.

This is the seventh year that St. James' has been involved in Career Day. Parishioners have found these events to be extraordinarily rewarding, as it is a chance to share information with as many as 200 students attending, many of whom may be very confused and/or discouraged about exploring careers, given the current economy. We hope that many parishioners will be willing to provide some encouragement to these motivated students.

Career Day is open to all St. James' parishioners regardless of what your profession may be. Roundtrip transportation from St. James' via van will be provided to the event. To sign up or for more information, contact Gordon Smith at Gordon.l.smith@chase.com or 212.270-1810.

Sunday Evenings at St. James'

Connecting Faith and Life

Beginning on the First Sunday in Lent, St. James' launched a new time for study and fellowship before our growing 6:00 p.m. service of Candlelight Communion. We are pleased to say that it has quickly become a fixture of our Sunday offerings, and will continue after Easter and into the summer.

Study, 4:45-5:30 p.m.

Beginning May 1, the Revs. Ryan Fleece and Will Peyton will lead a conversation about some of the classic Christian heresies, and try to take a fresh look at some very old debates about what many Christians do—and don't—believe.

Fellowship, 5:30-5:50 p.m.

On the balcony outside Sunderland Hall, an opportunity for coffee and conversation.

Candlelight Communion

6:00 p.m.

Our weekly service of hymns, homily, and Eucharist.

Join us for all of the evening or just those parts that fit your schedule.



Thursday, May 26, 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The Second Time Around Committee is collecting for its spring sale. Donations of clothing and shoes for men, women and children, bric-a-brac, housewares, antiques & treasures, and children's books are needed to make this the best sale ever. Designer clothing and jewelry are especially appreciated for the Boutique. All proceeds from the thrift sales go to help those in need in the five boroughs. Donations can be dropped off at the Parish House. Please call before dropping off large items such as furniture. You can also bring in large, sturdy plastic shopping bags to help us be as "green" as possible. Many volunteers are needed to help set-up and work the sale. For more information, contact Grace Beacham at gbeacham@stjames.org or 212.774-4231.

For Whom the Bells Toll

St. James' is a member of For Whom The Bells Toll, a large international campaign against the death penalty. On the day of a United States execution, St. James' bells ring for two minutes at 6:00 p.m. At St. James' we have chosen to pray as well for the victims of those executed because every life cut short by violence diminishes us all. St. James' joined the campaign more than five years ago, after months of study and discussion by the Prison Ministry Committee, the Mission Committee, and the Vestry. For Whom the Bells Toll is an initiative of People of Faith Against the Death Penalty (PFADP), a non-partisan, interfaith organization whose mission is to educate and mobilize faith communities around this issue. For more information, visit www.pfadp.org or contact Mission Committee member Mary Bundy at mlb10021@aol.com.

Fair Trade Sales

Sunday, May 1

Help combat world poverty and support sustainable agriculture by purchasing fair-trade tea, coffee, cocoa, and chocolate from Haiti and other countries following the 9:10 and 11:15 a.m. services on the first Sunday of every month. Items are available at other times through the Mission Office.

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all his resurrection declare is that God's love for us is immutable and that death has no power to end that love or to separate us in any ultimate way from one another. A baby baptized and a man or woman who dies "full of years" are held, and held together, by the love of God.

The month of May at St. James' is a month full of Easter. But the gift of the church is not what it teaches us about our life here. The gift is in teaching us to trust that Easter is meant for the whole of our lives. Then we can look at our own lives and calendars and commit ourselves to making sure that what we do reflects the promise of this season in every season. To live our lives in ways that proclaim that it is Easter every day.

—The Rev. Brenda G. Husson

Rebuilding Haiti

Sunday, May 1, 12:30 p.m.

At a May brunch, guest speaker Kirsten Laursen Muth of Episcopal Relief and Development (ER-D), the humanitarian arm of the Episcopal Church in the United States, will give an overview of life in Haiti since the January 2010 earthquake and highlight ERD's involvement in the rebuilding process and plans for the future. Muth will also talk about the steps ERD is taking to meet long-term needs in Haiti.

Kirsten Muth is the Senior Director of International Programs at ER-D. She has worked for both church-based and secular international development organizations for more than 25 years. She holds a bachelor's degree from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service and a Masters in Anthropology and Education from Teachers College at Columbia University.

At this event, organized by St. James' Partners in Mission-Haiti, you can enjoy a traditional Haitian lunch of beans and rice for a suggested donation of \$5 taken at the door. For more information, contact committee chair Lees Patriacca at merwyn4@yahoo.com or 917.428-0280.

Pantry Food Drive

Sunday, May 1

On the first Sunday of every month, children and adults are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to the altar at communion. Donations go to the Yorkville Common Pantry, New York City's largest privately-run food pantry. Needed for May: peanut butter and jelly, 1 and 2 lb. containers of rice, canned tuna/salmon, pasta, and snacks. At other times, donations may be left in the baskets in the Parish House reception area or in the Narthex, just inside the Madison Avenue entrance to the church.

May/June series of The Way

The Way at St. James' is a seven-week, small-group exploration of the Baptismal Covenant and the various ways we at St. James' are seeking to be the Church in the world. The Way is especially for newcomers, but not only for newcomers! This series will run on Sundays from 4:00-5:30 p.m. May 1 through June 19 (but does not meet over Memorial Day weekend). For more information, visit www.stjames.org/theway or contact the Rev. Will Peyton at wpeyton@stjames.org or 212.774-4255.



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May Calendar

Sunday Worship Schedule

8:00, 9:10, 11:15 a.m.; 6:00 p.m.
Summer Schedule (begins May 30)
8:00, 10:30 a.m.; 6:00 p.m.
Weekday Worship Schedule

Wednesdays, 8:00 a.m.

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- 12 THU Antiques & Treasures (5)
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Bingo Night
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- 19 THU Mission Trip to Sing Sing
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St. James' Church is a community that actively shares the love of Jesus Christ with each other, our city and the world.

In and Around St. James'



Activity starts early each Tuesday morning, year-round, as a faithful crew of volunteers takes to the kitchen at St. James' to prepare and serve a sit-down lunch for about eighty homeless and hungry guests.

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