



# ST. JAMES' CHURCH

## Invitations & Information

April 15, 2018



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### Dear friends,

Today's opening collect (or prayer that 'collects' our aspirations and hopes for the day's worship) is one of my favorites: "O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work..."

After the resurrection, Jesus frequently made himself known to his friends by eating with them—taking bread, blessing it, breaking it, and sharing it, just as he had when feeding the multitudes in Galilee, or gathered with frightened disciples around the table at the Last Supper. Want to read for yourselves? Check out Luke 24:13-35 or John 21:1-14. It's around the table that relationships are reconciled, courage regained, joy restored.

We are still in the process of sifting through the data from the RenewalWork survey we took in January (and look forward to sharing more at the Annual Meeting on May 6), but one thing we know is this: regular, weekly, prayerful engagement with the Eucharist is a major catalyst in the spiritual life. Jesus didn't just make himself known to his disciples in the breaking of the bread. He makes himself known still.

So if you're looking for a deeper relationship with God, if you've got a hunger you're not sure how to fill, my advice is to double down on showing up. It really is more than half the battle. Come to the feast. Make yourself available to God. Ask for eyes to see, and dare to expect that you will encounter Jesus here, in bread broken and wine out-poured. Because you will.

In Christ,  
*The Rev. Ryan Fleenor, Vicar*

## Today at St. James'

### Living Word: A Year with the Bible

Our parish-wide reading of *The Path* continues with Chapter 22: "Grace May Abound." All are welcome at our 10:30 a.m. Forum in Coburn Hall or 4:30 p.m. Bible Study in Sunderland Hall. Learn more at [stjames.org/LivingWord](http://stjames.org/LivingWord).

### Baptismal Preparation Seminar **10:15 a.m., Library**

Interested in having your child baptized? Come learn more in this first of a three-part series on the sacrament of Baptism. Contact the Rev. Zack Thompson to learn more.

### Gifts of Performance: Acting Intensive **1:00 p.m., St. George**

Would you enjoy using the techniques of acting and performance to better perceive the presence of God in your life? Sabra Jones, a parishioner with more than 30 year's experience teaching acting, will lead a new series this spring. Intrigued? Come learn more about this offering, or contact Sabra at [sjones91@me.com](mailto:sjones91@me.com).

### 20s & 30s Movie Night! **7:15 p.m., 3rd Floor**

Join the St. Jamesians to watch "The Sultan and the Saint," a dramatization of the relationship between St. Francis of Assisi and the Sultan of Egypt. Movie snacks provided!

## Every Sunday

### Fellowship

- After the 9:10 a.m. service, coffee outside Coburn Hall
- After the 11:15 a.m. service, coffee in Sunderland Hall

### Nursery Care available downstairs

Nursery care is available during the 9:10 and 11:15 a.m. services, and the adult formation offerings.

### Formation for all ages!

At St. James', we believe that if you come here, you will grow. To learn more, visit the First-time Families podium in the Narthex.

- Toddler (ages 2-3) and Primary (ages 4-6) 9:05 - 11:00 a.m.
- Church School, Youth Group (grades 1-12) 10:15 - 11:00 a.m.
- The Forum 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.
- Afternoon Bible Study 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

### Healing Prayer

Is there something you would like prayer for—a joy or a concern, for yourself or someone else? Join our Healing Prayer ministers in the Chapel following worship at 9:10, 11:15 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.

## New? START HERE TO BEGIN YOUR LIFE IN CHRIST

- Pick up a "Start Here" brochure and return the welcome card.
- "Meet me at the bell" (after 9:10, 11:15 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.)  
Meet next to the bell at the back corner of the church for an informal conversation with a priest about what led you here and where you might be called to go in your spiritual life.

## This Week

\* Special this week

Learn more at [stjames.org/calendar](http://stjames.org/calendar)

### Monday, April 16

Morning Prayer	8:00 - 8:20 a.m.
Caregivers Playgroup	10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Evening Prayer	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Centering Prayer	6:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Overnight Shelter open (Sundays through Fridays)	

### Tuesday, April 17

Morning Prayer	8:00 - 8:20 a.m.
Tuesday Morning Small Group	8:45 - 9:45 a.m.
Tuesday Lunch Program	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
3-5 year old Playgroup	3:30 - 4:45 p.m.
Cherub Choir rehearsal	3:45 - 4:15 p.m.
Junior Choir rehearsal	4:35 - 5:40 p.m.
Evening Prayer	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Lectio Divina group	6:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Canterbury Choir rehearsal	6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

### Wednesday, April 18

Holy Eucharist	8:00 - 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study	8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
0-12 month Playgroup	10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Centering Prayer	12:00 - 12:30 p.m.

### Thursday, April 19

Morning Prayer	8:00 - 8:20 a.m.
12-24 month Playgroup	10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Bible Stories & Legos	4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
We Love to Sing	4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
Primary Choir rehearsal	4:00 - 4:40 p.m.
Thursdays for Families	4:45 - 6:00 p.m.
Education for Ministry	6:30 - 8:45 p.m.

### Friday, April 20

Men's Group	7:00 - 8:00 a.m.
Morning Prayer	8:00 - 8:20 a.m.
24-36 month Playgroup	10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Centering Prayer	12:00 - 12:30 p.m.
Friday Dinner Program	5:00 - 9:00 p.m.
* Family Friday: Casino Night	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
* Friday Friends: Messy Games Night	6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

### Saturday, April 21

* Osborne Gardening Day	9:45 a.m.
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## Next Sunday: April 22

### THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 4:5-12, Psalm 23, 1 John 3:16-24, John 10:11-18

#### 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Sermon by the Rev. Ryan Fleenor.

#### 9:10 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Sermon by the Rev. Brenda Husson. The Canterbury, Junior, Youth, and Primary Choirs offers music by Thomas Matthew and Gregg Smith.

#### 11:15 a.m. Choral Eucharist

Sermon by the Rev. Eva Suarez. The St. James' Compostela Choir offers music by Harold A. Darke, Edward C. Bairstow, and J. Michael Diack.

#### 6:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion

Homily by the Rev. Brenda Husson. Music for piano and violin.

#### In *The Path*: Chapter 23 "Be Doers of the Word"

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#### Vestry Voting begins

If you're over 18 years old and regularly in worship, then *your* vote is needed in our 2018 Vestry election! Please plan to vote by our Annual Meeting on May 6, and visit [stjames.org/vestry2018](http://stjames.org/vestry2018) for more information about the candidates.

#### Baptismal Preparation Seminar

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## Living Word: A Year With the Bible

### Reflecting on *The Path*:

#### Living Word: A Year with the Bible

Paul and Silas find themselves in jail, and they use that experience as an opportunity to sing hymn of praise to God and to share the good news of Jesus with their jailer. Would you have done the same in their situation? Why or why not?

### Bible Memorization Project verse:

When I call upon the Lord, he will hear me... speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

—Psalm 4:3-4

LEARN MORE AT [STJAMES.ORG/LIVINGWORD](http://STJAMES.ORG/LIVINGWORD)

## News & Notes

### **Help furnish a refugee family's home** **by Tuesday, April 17**

St. James' partners with the IRC in ministry to refugees in our city. If you have furniture or household items to help furnish an apartment, please contact Susana Ferrer to make a donation for a new family!

### **Family Friday: Casino Night** **Friday, 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

Join us for making sandwiches for NY Common Pantry, supper, and your favorite Casino games! Friends warmly welcome. \$5/person, \$20/family covers pizza. Contact Vicki Hall for more information.

### **Friday Friends: Messy Games Night** **Friday, 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Join friends in 5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> grade for Messy Games Night! Dinner will be provided. \$5 per person, friends welcome! Contact Chris Harding for more information and to RSVP.

### **Gardening Day with Osborne** **Saturday, 9:45 a.m.**

Celebrate the start of spring with the children of incarcerated parents at a new community garden in the Bronx. Contact Susana Ferrer to learn more or RSVP by April 15.

### **Stillman Lecture on Religion & Culture** **Wed. April 25, 6:30 p.m.**

We are thrilled to welcome author, theologian, and historian Lauren Winner as our 2018 Stillman Lecture guest. Lauren is Associate Professor of Christian Spirituality at Duke Divinity School.

### **Church School Banner squares due** **Tue. May 1**

All Church School students are invited to make a square for the 2017-2018 banner. Please contact Vicki Hall for instructions and for a felt square to work on.

### **Spring cleaning? Remember our Thrift sales!** **May 1 & 2, May 18**

Donations are needed for our spring thrift and antiques sales. Please bring clothing, accessories, housewares, and more. Contact Grace Beacham with questions (including about furniture).

### **20s & 30s Trivia Night** **May 19, 6:00 p.m.**

Join other Young Adults from across the Diocese for Wild West-themed Trivia hosted here, with prizes for trivia, costumes, and minigames! \$20/ticket. Learn more at [stjames.org/trivianight](http://stjames.org/trivianight).

### **Recognition Sunday** **May 20, 10:15 a.m.**

Our Church School classes celebrate their year and present something special from their lessons! (Primary Class: The Lord's Prayer; 1<sup>st</sup> Grade: The Ten Commandments; 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Psalm 23; 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Books of the Bible; 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Psalm 100; 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: The Beatitudes). Parents and students, please join us.

### **Mission Trip to Haiti: Sign up today!** **June 1-4**

Make friends at St. Vincent's Centre for Handicapped Children and discover God at work in new ways in your life. All are welcome; parishioners with experience in education are especially invited to consider getting involved. Contact Susana Ferrer to learn more.

### **2018 Parish Weekend Away registration is live!**

We're going back to camp! Will you come, too? St. James' second Parish Weekend Away will be held over Columbus Day weekend (Oct. 5 - 7). Learn more and register at [stjames.org/weekendaway](http://stjames.org/weekendaway).

### **Stewardship Update: 2/3 of the way there!**

We are pleased to share that we have reached nearly 70% of our stewardship goal for 2018. Our goal is within reach! To help us reach 100%, please visit [stjames.org/2018commitment](http://stjames.org/2018commitment). Thank you!

## Prayer List

### **Thanks be to God**

- for the Easter baptisms of Griffin Brink Costlow, McKnight Robert Dale Dake, Liliana Elizabeth Renteria, and Elliot Bernard Knapp.
- for the generosity of parishioners who have made pledges for 2018, including dozens of new and increased financial commitments.

### **Your prayers are requested**

- for St. James' this Eastertide, that we would be continually renewed and transformed as members of Christ's risen body, to be for each other and for the world, living signs of resurrection.
- for the Grants Committee as they discern how God is calling us to share our resources with agencies providing direct services to meet the needs of under-served communities across New York City.
- for members and friends of the parish who are sick, sorrowful, or in any kind of trouble: Donald, Henry, David, Susan, Terry & Mary Jane, Mal, Elona, Carol, Lydia, Cynthia, Pam, Caroline & Michael, Walterene, James Edward, Joan, Lois, Brian, Sara, Michael, Jen & Ulrik, Norman, Janet, Eula Mae, Carol, Kathy, Jane, Lilly, Laura, Sallie, Ann & Ben, Bob, Chris, Alain & Stafford, Amanda, Koula, Blanche, Victor, Carolyn & David, Kari & Zoe, Valli, Casper, Seth, Jeanette, Alice, Iris, Sophie, Asher, Mady, Kate, Marielle, Maria & her parents, Lisa, Frank, Lisa, Carmen, Manny, Milton, Alice Mary, Maurice, Andy & Sabra, Izabel, Rick, Doug, Barbara, Peter & Dianne, Lewies family, Ben & Juergen, Birgit & Kevin, Kunle, Peter, Bill, John, Prune, Lee McGee, the Kirkpatrick family, Martha, Tom, Hayden, Douglas, Vicky, Ramon, Pelham, Anthony, Nancy, Zoey, Lenore, Bruce, Nadine, Isabelle & Viviane, Tracey, Hermie, Meshida & her children, Kevin, Greg, Paul, Betsy, Jeannette, Rodney, Bill & Gail, Mary Frances, Dorothy, Grace, Aris, Artemis, Mary, JoAnne, Mechelle, A.B., Pamela, Robert, Sue Ellen, Elizabeth, Dorothy, Kit, Elnora, Harriett, Martha, Alex, Marc, Travers, Mitties, Kathryn, Warren, Susan, Sean, Madge & Bill, Christian, Danny, Kathleen, James, Tate, Asafe, Norma, Christopher, George, Jodi, Margot, James, Earl, Peggy, Katharine, Jerry, Casey, John & Catherine, Alex, Theresa, Ruth, Filip, Sandy, Dick, John, Catherine, George, Peter, Joan, Samuel, Steve, Sean, John, Barbara, Alicia Raquel, Adrian, Selma, Al, Jose, Laura, Pam, Deborah, Josefina, Jorge, Lillian, Vincent, Barb, Nick, Craig, Peter and Jana, Megan, Grace, Wayne, Bonnie, Matthew, Malcom, Jane, Shawn, Nicole, Richard, Gordon, Isabel, Babis, Kiley, Margaret, Julie, Norman, Nancy, Victims of California wildfires, Silvia, Gabriella, Thomas, Chloe, Tom, Paul, Blake, Barbara, Ann, Chetram, MaryAnn, Bill, Florence, Carl Jandernoa family, Don, Alida and Martin, Georgia, Dale, Wendy, Page, Brunilda, Carol Sue, Robert, Jonathan, John, Zach, Ben, Bryce, Dean & family, Christine, Elena, James, Alexandra, Rex, Elena, Mackenzie, Kate, Jason, Carter, Angelo, Isabel, Kathryn, Amy, Bruce, Patricia, Anne, John, Jim, Jonathan, Mary & Wayne, Erin, Brad, Lucia, Elaine, Ray, Martha, Hilary, Samhita, Robin, Josue, Jake, Alec, Kreinek Family, and Koshie.
- for St. James' Church, Goshen, according to the Diocesan cycle of prayer.
- for the Church of Ireland, its ministries and people and the Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland and Metropolitan Bishop, the Most Rev. Richard Lionel Clarke, according to the Anglican cycle of prayer.
- for our work as stewards of God's creation, that we may use the earth's resources rightly in the service of others, and be mindful of our connection to all living things.
- for the United States of America, for wisdom and grace for our leaders in the exercise of their duties, that the rights and dignity of all may be protected, and our nation be a blessing to other nations of the earth.
- for justice and peace in this city and nation; for those who serve the common good in law enforcement and the courts; and for the victims of racism, injustice, and intolerance.
- for all who are persecuted for their faith, including Christians in the Middle East; for all refugees and all who welcome and serve those in need.
- for members and friends of the parish serving in the Armed Forces, in the Diplomatic Corps, and with the U.N.: Tracy, Christian, Mads, Michael, Mark.

### **We commend to God's never-failing care**

- victims of war and violence throughout the world, including all victims of terrorism; all migrants and refugees who have died fleeing danger; and all those killed in the military service of our nation.
- all whom we love but see no more, especially Sandra Kreinek and M. Paul Goulian.

**To have your prayer requests printed in this space,  
or to provide an update, please e-mail the clergy at  
[pastoralcare@stjames.org](mailto:pastoralcare@stjames.org), or visit [stjames.org/prayer](http://stjames.org/prayer).**



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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.*

## Worship

### SUNDAYS

8:00 a.m. · Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
9:10 a.m. · Holy Eucharist (Church)  
11:15 a.m. · Choral Eucharist (Church)  
6:00 p.m. · Candlelight Communion

### WEEKDAYS

M, T, Th, F 8:00 a.m. · Morning Prayer  
Wed. 8:00 a.m. · Holy Eucharist  
Mon., Tue. 6:00 p.m. · Evening Prayer

### CENTERING PRAYER

Mon. 6:30 p.m.  
Wed. 12:00 p.m.  
Fri. 12:00 p.m.

*Open for prayer and meditation  
Sunday, 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Mon. - Fri., 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.*

## Visit Us

### PARISH HOUSE HOURS

Mon. - Fri. · 9:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Wednesdays · 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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