Dear friends,

My wife Mary Jane and I have worshiped at St. James’ since we were children. In the 1930s our parents were parishioners. We attended Sunday School, directed by Rev. James Paul, an assistant to the rector. MJ and I did not know each other then, but we met during school years, “went steady” during the bright college years, and were married at St. James’ in 1953 by Dr. Paul, then the rector of Holy Trinity, who kindly returned to officiate for his former students. We were parishioners in regular attendance at St. James’ from 1957 to 2008, when we moved to Connecticut. MJ served on various St. James’ committees. I served on the vestry and as junior warden.

We have participated to the full in the life of this vibrant parish: The special celebrations of Christmas and Easter, the less elaborate services throughout the church year, the myriad opportunities for fellowship and ministry to others. But most memorable for me, perhaps, were the times when I came to St. James’ when no service was in progress, the sanctuary empty, the single candle burning at the high altar. I would go to the place in the pews where I always sat—Episcopalian are like that—and pray (“thank you” if blessings made me joyful, “help” if I was frightened, grieving or uncertain), or simply sit in silence. “Be still,” the Psalmist advises, “and know that I am God.” I found it possible, during those quiet moments at St. James’, to experience the peace of God, which passeth all understanding.

For us, St. James’ is the sacred space where we joined in the spoken or sung word, received the sacraments, prayed, and listened in the stillness—where we renewed and reinforced our faith. We have committed to Stewardship in significant amounts, to support the Parish and for our own spiritual well-being. After moving to Branford, Connecticut, we found a new parish church which we attend and support. But we continue our financial commitments to St. James’, in the same amounts as before we left the City. We could not do otherwise. St. James’ will always be our spiritual home—to which, having reserved a corner niche in the Columbarium, we shall return when the time comes.

Terry Haight, Connecticut parishioner

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**Today at St. James’**

**Baptismal Preparation** 10:15 a.m., Library
Interested in having your child baptized? Come learn more! Contact the Rev. Zack Thompson with questions.

**The Adult Forum: The Eucharist** 10:30 a.m., Coburn Hall

**Afternoon Bible Study** 4:30 p.m., Sunderland Hall
A Bible Study opportunity to explore the lectionary readings appointed for the week and how they relate to our lives. Join us when you are able!

Check out our “Living Liturgy” video series
Visit stjames.org/eucharist to watch the first three videos in our weekly Living Liturgy series and get a behind-the-scenes view of the Eucharist. A new video comes out in the eNews each week this fall.

**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 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., 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.
Next Sunday: November 4

All Saints' Sunday

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Homily by the Rev. Ryan Fleenor.

9:10 a.m. Holy Baptism & Family Eucharist

11:15 a.m. Holy Baptism & Choral Eucharist
Sermon by the Rev. Ryan Fleenor. The Compostela Choir offers music by Johannes Brahms and William H. Harris.

6:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion
Sermon by Matthew Leaycraft, Lay Associate. Music for piano and cello.

Daylight Savings Time ends!
Please remember to set your clock back and join us for worship.

Marathon Sunday
Please be advised that the New York City Marathon will be run. Transit and traffic routes may be disrupted throughout the day; please plan accordingly to leave enough travel time.

The Adult Forum: The Eucharist 10:30 a.m., Coburn Hall

3rd Grade “Story time” with the Rector 3:00 p.m., Rector’s Office
The Rev. Brenda Husson will read C.S. Lewis’ classic, The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe, in her office (complete with cozy fireplace) for our third-graders. Join us, whether you’ve read them or not (reading not required)!

Afternoon Bible Study 4:30 p.m., Sunderland Hall
A Bible Study opportunity to explore the lectionary readings appointed for the week and how they relate to our lives. Join us when you are able!

* Paint & Chat: Osborne event 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
News & Notes

20s & 30s Fall Small Group Mondays, 7:00 p.m. Join other young adults for a 5-week reading of N.T. Wright’s “The Meal Jesus Gave Us” and discussion of the Eucharist and what it means. Books provided ($10 suggested donation; contact Jeremy Curtis to reserve yours). Snacks provided free!

All Saints’ Festal Eucharist Thursday, 7:00–8:00 p.m. St. James’ Compostela Choir will offer the ethereal and beautiful music of contemporary composers Arvo Pärt and John Taverner at a Festive Eucharist for All Saints’ Day. All are welcome.

Paint & Chat: Osborne Event Saturday, 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Enjoy fellowship with the children of incarcerated parents through our partnership with the Osborne Association in Brooklyn. Contact Susana Ferring to learn more or to RSVP (by Oct. 31).

Good, Bad, & Scared: About Money Wed. Nov. 7, 7:00 p.m. 20s & 30s are invited to join the clergy at the Rectory for a fun conversation about all the questions we might have about money. Please contact Jeremy Diakonov-Curtis to learn more or RSVP.

Fall Thrift Sale is here! Fri. Nov. 9, 9:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Support St. James’ Grants Program and shop a great selection of clothes, housewares, shoes, accessories, and more for men, women, and children—including boutique items! $5 admission before noon; contact Grace Beacham with questions.

St. James’ 101 Newcomers Brunch Sun. Nov. 11, 10:15 a.m. Are you new to St. James’? Save the date and join the clergy and a few parishioners to learn more about St. James’ over brunch. Contact the Rev. Zack Thompson to learn more or RSVP.

Diaper Drive hosted by Primary Class through Nov. 11 Help our youngest parishioners collect diapers for our neighbors in need. Offer your own donations, and ask friends to contribute! Contact Audrey Symes (audrey.symes@gmail.com) with questions.

Youth Group returns to Haiti in 2019! sign up by November 15 Teens ages 15-19 are invited to visit our partners at St. Vincent’s Center in Port-au-Prince over Presidents’ day weekend 2019. Space is limited; to learn more, contact Jeremy Diakonov-Curtis.

Quiet Day at St. James’ Sat. Nov. 17, 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Explore more deeply what the Eucharist means at this day-long retreat led by the Rev. Ryan Fleenor and Matthew Leaycraft. Meals provided; $20 suggested donation. RSVP to Matthew Leaycraft.

Save the Date for Consecration Sunday! November 18 What might it mean for you, for St. James’, and for our world to give our best gifts to help build the kingdom of God? Join us for worship and celebratory meals on November 18.

Civic Engagement Project Sat. Nov. 17, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Help the children of incarcerated parents and volunteers of the Osborne Association paint a mural at a women’s shelter! Learn more or RSVP to Susana Ferring by November 14.

SDG Grant awarded for work in Port-au-Prince, Haiti St. James’ is grateful to have been awarded a $10,000 Sustainable Development Goal Grant by the Diocese of New York to support teacher training with our partner St. Vincent’s Center for Children with Disabilities.

Prayer List

Thanks be to God
• for the birth on October 13 of Mary Louise Rebecca Hirsch, daughter of parishioners Tim and Sydney Hirsch.
• for the worship life we share at St. James’, and for the leadership of parishioners who have volunteered to officiate at daily Morning and Evening Prayer in the Chapel.
• for the generosity of parishioners who have made pledges for 2018.

Your prayers are requested
• for St. James’, that our faith and ministries be guided and enlivened by the Holy Spirit throughout this season of Pentecost.
• for those preparing for baptism on All Saints’ Sunday, including the Milburn, Wharton, Marr, Atkins, Tomenson, Pinkney, Buchanan, and Rakos families.
• 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, Cynthia, Pam, Caroline & Michael, Walterene, James Edward, Joan, Lois, Brian, Sara, Brian, Walt, Daniel, David, Kathy, Jane, Lilly, Laura, Ann & Ben, Bob, Chris, Amanda, Blanche, Victor, Vally, Charles, Seth, Jeanette, Alice, Iris, Sophie, Asher, Marielle, Maria & her parents, Frank, Lisa, Carmen, Milton, Alice Mary, Andy & Sabra, Isabel, Rick, Doug, Peter & Dianne, Ben, Peter, Bill, John, Prune, the Kirkpatrick family, Martha, Tom, Douglas, Vicky, Ramon, Pelham, Anthony, Nancy, Zey, Medine, Isabelle & Yvonne, Tracey, Kevin, Greg, Betsy, Jeanette, Rodney, Mary Frances, Dorothy, Grace, Mary, JoAnne, Sue Ellen, Dorothy, Elnora, Harrietta, Alex, Marc, Travers, Susan, Madge & Bill, Christopher, Margot, James, Peggy, Katharine, Jerry, Casey, John & Catherine, Therese, Ruth, Fibil, Sandy, Dick, John, George, Peter, Samuel, Al, Jose, Laura, Pam, Deborah, Josephina, Jorge, Barb, Nick, Craig, Peter and Jana, Megan, Grace, Wayne, Matthew, Isabel, Babis, Kiley, Margaret, Nancy, Silvia, Gabriella, Thomas, Clhoe, Tom, Paul, Blake, Barbara, MaryAnn, Bill, Carl Jandernoa family, Alida and Martin, Dale, Wendy, Brunilda, Carol Sue, Robert, Jonathan, John, Ben, Bryce, Christine, Elena, James, Elena, Kelly, Mackenzie, Jane, Carter, Angelo, Isabel, Kathrynn, Bruce, Brad, Hilary, Jake, Alec, Laura, Nichols & Nancy, Donnice, Teresa, Ben & Juergen, Lian, Ann, Aaron, Molitor, Bonnie, Emily, Anne Marie, Tom, Rob and Kathy, Madalina, Ken, Deborah, Andrew, Charlie, Felicia & Alex, Roger & Jovie, Alex, Todd, John, Monique, Susie, Cilla, Rich, Karen, Helen, Hannah, Sharon, Verne, Janet, Julie, Behida, Dominic, Sarah, Ray, John, Diane, Frank, Karen & Craig, Tim, Gary, Alex, Sarah, Aaron & family, Anita, Dwain, Wayne, Elizabeth & April, Helen, Myra, Caris & Blake, Charlotte, Kirsten, Karen & Paresh, P.J., Josh, Peter, Josh, John, Mireya, Sam & Lisa, Britney & Oliver, Rex, Nellie & Ray, Michael & Margaret, Bill, Bruce, Anne, Daniellea, Lisa, Jason, Babu, Jeffrey, Alexandria, Ejimudo, Maria, Susan, Ed & family, Kenneth, Natalie, and Tony.
• for Grace Church, La Gracia, White Plains, according to the Diocesan cycle of prayer.
• for the Church in the Province of the West Indies, according to the Diocesan 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 those 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, including David Linden Gale, Ian Stewart McComas, and Barry Martin Osborn.
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. · Family Eucharist
11:15 a.m. · Choral Eucharist
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. - Fri. 5:30 p.m. · Evening Prayer

CENTERING PRAYER
Tue. 6:00 p.m.
Wed. 12:00 p.m.
Fri. 12:00 p.m.

LECTIO DIVINA
Mon. 6:00 p.m.

Open for prayer and meditation
Sunday, 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Mon. - Fri., 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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Mon. - Fri. 8:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Wednesdays 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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