Dear friends,

My giving to St. James’—in both absolute dollars and dollars as a percentage of my income—has fluctuated widely over the 13 years I have been a parishioner of this wonderful church. The pattern has mirrored the ups and downs of my financial situation and, by extension, my sense of personal security. There were those times of long-term and lucrative employment, when I could afford everything I needed and wanted and felt safe. And there were also those times of temporary work and lower pay, or of no work or money at all, when I had to count my pennies or accept someone else’s and felt endangered.

Steady all along, however, has been St. James’s commitment to me. Clergy, staff, and parishioners have accompanied me through it all. This has been the place where I know I am always welcome and, in that welcome, find a safety that isn’t dependent on my circumstances.

That commitment to me, which has nothing to do with what I give, has helped me to realize that stewardship is not a payment for services rendered but as an expression of gratitude for finding a place where I am reminded of Jesus’ unfailing love. I want everyone to have that.

I will continue to give to St. James’ to the extent that I can knowing that I can give out of thanksgiving and that, whatever my circumstances, I am giving the best gift to God and St. James’ that I can.

Parishioner Jenny Brown

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**Today at St. James’**

**Diaper Drive donation deadline!**
Help our youngest parishioners collect diapers for our neighbors in need. Offer your own donations, and ask friends to contribute!

**The Adult Forum: The Eucharist** 10:30 a.m., Coburn Hall
The Rev. Ryan Fleenor concludes our 5-week series on the Eucharist with an exploration of “why” and “how.” Why, ultimately, do we participate in the Eucharist, and how is God at work in our lives through it?

**St. James’ 101 Brunch** 10:15 a.m., Sunderland Hall
Are you new to St. James’? Join the clergy and a few parishioners to learn more about St. James’ over brunch. Contact the Rev. Zack Thompson to learn more.

**3rd Grade “Story time”** 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.

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**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 18

Consecration Sunday
The Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16; Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25; Mark 13:1-8

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Homily by the Rev. Brenda Hussen.

9:10 a.m. Family Eucharist
Sermon by the Rt. Rev. Carlye Hughes, guest. The Canterbury, Primary, Junior, and Youth Choirs offer the music of J.S. Bach and Mark Patterson.

11:15 a.m. Choral Eucharist

6:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion
Sermon by the Rt. Rev. Carlye Hughes, guest. Music for piano and guitar.

Consecration Sunday celebrations
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 following the 9:10, 11:15 a.m., and 6:00 p.m. services. The Rev. Carlye Hughes, Bishop of Newark, will be our guest preacher throughout the day.

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Bible Memorization Project
Challenge yourself to commit Scripture to memory, one bit per week!

FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 11
“Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above.”—James 1:17

Check out our “Living Liturgy” video series
Visit stjames.org/eucharist to watch the five videos in our weekly Living Liturgy series and get a behind-the-scenes view of the Eucharist.
Parents of Youth Party       Monday, 6:30 - 7:45 p.m.
Parents of middle-schoolers are invited to a special event to get to
know one another and to dream together about the future of youth
ministry at St. James’. Contact Jeremy to learn more or RSVP.

20s & 30s Fall Small Group      concludes Monday, 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
Curvis to reserve yours). Snacks provided free!

Youth Group returns to Haiti in 2019!      sign up by Thursday
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-Curris.

Quiet Day at St. James’      Saturday, 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.

Civic Engagement Project       Saturday, 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 Ferrer by Wednesday.

Dioesecan event on Sex-trafficking        Saturday, 4:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Join other Episcopalians for an afternoon engaging prayer and
education around the crisis of human trafficking in our city, with
Bernadette Ellorin from the Mission to End Modern Slavery. A
light supper will be served. Contact the Rev. Ryan Fleenor to learn more.

Thanksgiving Eve Service     Wed. Nov. 21, 5:00 p.m.
Begin the Thanksgiving weekend in gratitude for God’s blessings at
a special service of Holy Eucharist. All are welcome!

Advent Wreath Workshop     Thu. Nov. 29, 3:30 - 6:30 p.m.
A creative evening for ALL ages (small children require supervision).
We supply fresh greens, straw frame, red berries, and candles ($25).
Seasonal music sets the mood and supper is also available ($5).

Christmas flowers now collected      due December 7
Remember or honor a loved one at Christmas by making a gift to the
Altar Guild Christmas Flower fund between now and Dec. 7. Visit
stjames.org/altarguild to submit names for print in the bulletin.

Share the Joy Gift Drive: now through December 13
Help make Christmas extra magical for the children and youth of
incarcerated parents through our partnership with the Osborne
Association. Visit stjames.org/advent2018 to make a personal gift.

Christmas Pageant: sign-up today!
Sign up now for the Christmas Pageant. A retelling of the birth
of Jesus by children ages 4-17. In two rehearsals, December 8 and
15, the Christmas Story comes to life for our youngest parishioners
as it is presented on December 16 at 4:00 p.m. Registration forms
available around the building and at stjames.org/pageant.

Thank you, Second Time Around volunteers!
Thank you to all those who helped make Friday’s fall thrift sale
a success, by donating, sorting, organizing, selling, cleaning-up,
shopping, and more! Stay tuned for more news about the sale’s
impact; all proceeds support St. James’ Grants Program.

Thanks be to God

• for the birth of Britton Stewart Ingalls, son of parishioners Redmond
and Caroline Ingalls
• for the baptisms of Theodore K. Milburn, Weston Aletha Wharton,
Ethan Thomas Buchanan, Hannah Simonsen Atkins, Walter Scott
Tomsonon IV, Adams August Pinckney, Jr., and Joseph Andrew Rakos.
• for newcomers to our parish, and for today’s St. James’ 101 breakfast.
• 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 after Pentecost.
• 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, Michael, Janet, Eula Mae, Carol,
Kathy, Jane, Lilly, Laura, Ann & Ben, Bob, Chris, Amanda, Blanche,
Victor, Valli, Charles, Seth, Jeanette, Alice, Iris, Sophie, Asher, Marielle,
Maria & her parents, Frank, Lisa, Carmen, Milton, Alice Mary, Andy
& Sabra, Izabel, Rick, Peter & Dianne, Ben, Peter, Bill, John, Prune,
Avery, Anthony, Nancy, Zoey, Nadine, Isabelle & Vivianne, Tracey, Kevin, Greg,
Betsy, Jeannette, Rodney, Mary Frances, Dorothy, Grace, Mary, JoAnne,
Sue Ellen, Dorothy, Elnora, Harriet, Alex, Marc, Travers, Susan, Madge
& Bill, Christopher, Margot, James, Peggy, Katharine, Jerry, Casey, John
& Catherine, Theresa, Ruth, Filip, Sandy, Dick, John, George, Peter,
Samuel, Al, Jose, Laura, Pam, Deborah, Josefina, Jorge, Barb, Nick,
Craig, Peter & Jana, Megan, Grace, Wayne, Matthew, Isabel, Babis,
Kiley, Margaret, Nancy, Paul, Blake, Barbara, MaryAnn, Bill, Carl
Jandernoa family, Alida and Martin, Dale, Wendy, Brunilda, Carol
Sue, Robert, Jonathan, John, Ben, Bryce, Elena, James, Elena, Kelly,
Mackenzie, Jason, Carter, Angelo, Kathryn, Bruce, Brad, Hilary, Jake
, Ale, Laura, Nicholas & Nancy, Donnice, Teresa, Ben & Juergen,
Liam, Ann, Aaron, Molitton, Bonnie, Emily, Madaline, Deborah, Andrew,
Charlie, Felicia & Alex, Roger & Jovie, John, Monique, Susie, Cilla, Rich
, Hannah, Sharon, Janet, Julie, Behda, Sarah, Ray, John, Diane, Frank,
Karen & Craig, Gary, Sarah, Aaron & family, Anita, Dwayne, Wayne,
Helen , Caris & Blake, Charlotte, Josh, Peter, Nellie & Ray , Bill , Anne,
Lisa , Jason , Jeffrey , Alexandra, Ed & family, Kenneth, Natalie, Tony,
Vicky, George , Ken , Mrs. Beckman, Judy, Ryan, Gopicka, Sandralee,
Steve, Peggy , Bill, Justin, Whitney , Kathleen, Roy, Diana & Hubert,
and Cheryl.

For the Diocesan Standing Committee, according to the Diocesan cycle
of prayer.

• for Iglesia Episcopal de Cuba, its ministries and people, and the Rt. Rev.
Griselda Delgado Del Carpio, 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, including Earl Mohan and Dominic
Cannavo.

To have your prayer requests printed in this space,
or to provide an update, please e-mail the clergy at
pastoralcare@stjames.org, or visit stjames.org/prayer.
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