

The MESSENGER

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH



MAY 2021



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
MAY 5TH at 6:30 pm
Zoom and at church
WE NEED EVERYONE!

This is our **NEXT** important meeting in our search process. The first meeting was missing several important people and we really want you to join in the search for our new priest. We are **ALL** needed. After this congregational meeting, there will be training for house meeting leaders and then you will be invited to small group meetings as we figure out what we need and want for the future of St. James.

The small group leaders will also meet on Saturday, May 7th 9a-2p then they will schedule the house meetings.

MARILYN WITT, SR. WARDEN



NEW COVID GUIDELINES

Per Bishop Jennifer's recent changes

We are **STILL** wearing masks and distancing. When you are in your seat, make sure you are 6 feet from the closest person. **COMMUNION** is unchanged.

We may have a choir of 4 masked choir members that are distanced 6 ft apart. Once everyone is vaccinated, the congregation can sing while masked.

If we meet **OUTSIDE**, we do not need to wear masks unless we are singing.

Standard cleaning practices are accepted now so the kitchen is opened. We still can not have coffee hour inside.

There is a light at the end of the tunnel.
Expect new guidelines in June.

BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MEETING

The next meeting of the BC will be on Wednesday, at 6:30 PM, May 12. We will meet in person at church or you may join on Zoom.

CELEBRATE PENTECOST SUNDAY



****CHANGE IN SCHEDULE THIS MONTH***
Because Pentecost is on May 24 this year, we will have a Eucharist service that week instead of our normal Morning Prayer and will have MP on the fifth Sunday instead.



If you don't feel safe to come, you may:
ZOOM

1.If you click directly on the link in the email, you will be sent to the "waiting room" of the meeting.(APP download may be needed if new)

2.If you join thru the website, you will be asked for a passcode (5309)

MAY'S HOLY HIKE

Christ Church Cathedral has scheduled a Holy Hike in Indianapolis on Thursday, May 13th at 7 PM. They will meet at the entrance of White River State Park on W. Washington St. Sign up on facebook if you are interested.

DOK MEETING

We will meet in person on May 19th at noon for lunch bunch and 1230 for the meeting. You may still join us from Zoom with the link sent via email.

MEMORIAL FUND VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Do you love to send thank you cards??? We need someone to keep a record and send cards to people donating to our Memorial Fund and to send a list of donors to the family. Talk to Pat Carter about it.

FOOD BASKET MINISTRY CHANGES

Karen Shields and daughter, Suzanne have volunteered to organize our annual Thanksgiving/Christmas food ministry. She has a lot of new ideas and the following article is the first of them. Please help out by sending in your recipes.

'THE COLLECTION' recipe book

Calling all St. James bakers and cooks and foodies! This year I would like to include a St. James Collection of Recipes in our food baskets that we give away for Thanksgiving and Christmas Families. Please send me your favorite recipes that use simple and economical ingredients. We need recipes for the use of holiday leftovers and make ahead recipes too. You can email me at kshields@eiwifi.com or give to me at church. Thanks for helping develop "The Collection" as part of our outreach committee. KAREN SHIELDS

IT'S MOWING SEASON

Sonny started mowing in April and Rick Clark will mow in May. If you would like to take a turn this summer, please let Sonny or John know.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Kevin Chapman for servicing our mower again this year. He and Aimee have provided this service for several years and we greatly appreciate it. Kevin also comes and hauls away brush from time to time. Thank you!

MAILED BULLETIN INSERTS

Now that many of us have returned to church, Carolyn Shupert has trimmed the list of people she sends bulletin inserts to for use at home. If you no longer want to receive them, please let her know. This was a wonderful ministry of hers while we were at home worshipping on Zoom or alone. Thank you, Carolyn!



ALTAR GUILD NEEDS EXTRA HELP

If you are interested in being on the Altar Guild, please let Carolyn Shupert or Delores Madden know. You would be paired with someone else to learn how to do it before being assigned on your own.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

VICTORY LANE CAMP MINISTRY 6/10



We have been asked to provide a meal for Victory Lane campers this year. I have signed us up for Thursday, June 10th at 4:00 pm to prepare to eat at 5:00. We will be serving salad, pizza, dessert and drinks to 140 campers. We will be presenting our plan to the Bishop for approval. Volunteers are the Clark's, Carter's, Dee Madden and maybe Deacon Barry. We could use 1-2 more to lighten the work.

BACK TO SCHOOL FESTIVAL JULY 26

Sonny Carter is on this committee and says the tentative date is July 26th. There will be a list of needed supplies coming next month. You may donate money or supplies and bring to church by July 18th.