# The MESSENGER

## ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

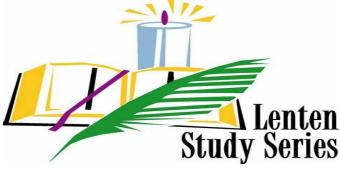
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# Where strangers become family

#### MEETINGS/EVENTS FOR MARCH

LENTEN STUDY starts MAR 1 1:00 PM
RAINTREE SQUARE MAR 5 2:00 PM
VESTRY MAR 8 6:30 PM
COFFEE BOOK TIME MAR 12 11:15 AM
DOK MAR 15 12:00 PM



### LENTEN STUDY BEGINS MARCH 1ST

Marilyn Witt will be leading our study of Luke on Wednesday's at 1PM. It is a video series by Pastor Adam Hamilton called LUKE: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws. You and your friends are welcome! Study guides are \$12 and available at church so let Marilyn know if you are coming. Come early and bring a sack lunch if you'd like.

#### EPISCOPAL 101 CLASS

As a part of our grant request, we purchased books called "A People called Episcopalian" to hand out to visitors. We will discuss the book after coffee hour on March 12. Please borrow a book to join in the discussion.

#### OUR SYMPATHIES

Our sympathies to Imogene Carpenter and Cindy Bullard and their family for the death of Imy's son, Jeff Carpenter. A Graveside service was followed by a family dinner at the church.

#### SAVE THE DATE!!

APRIL 2 Cantata at First United

Methodist church, 6 PM

APRIL 30 Wedding Shower for Sam and

Jacque after church

JUNE Suzie's graduation open house

#### CANTATA AT METHODIST CHURCH

Peggy Jent, Pat Carter, Marilyn Witt, and Cindy Bullard will be singing in the community choir on Palm Sunday, April 2 at 6 PM. The community is invited to attend and we would love to have you come. It's not too late if you want to sing! The music is high energy, southern gospel style.

Refreshments will follow the show.

#### PROPERTY SALE FINAL

The money is in our investment account. We still have full access to the parking lot.

### COMMUNITY GARDEN

Sam Hua will be planning our new community gardens in the front yard at church. His plan is to build raised beds. The high school students will be helping as planned by their AG teachers but anyone else in the parish can talk to Sam about helping.

#### OUR EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY

We have not been promoting our pantry because it is not being replenished by more than 2–3 families. The pancake supper proceeds will be used to buy supplies so that will help. I have noticed that people using it do not take vegetables. They take the boxed meals, spaghetti sauce/spaghetti, canned meals like SpaghettiOs and ravioli, etc. If you can donate any of those things, please put them on the shelves. We did have someone from the community drop off some food. We hoped to be able to promote and stock it on our own, but we may need to reevaluate that. Thanks, Sonny Carter

#### PANCAKE SUPPER

Thanks to Ron Godsey, Dick Bouslog, Tim Cherry. Dan Bullard, Dennis Witt, John Thompson, and Sonny Carter for putting together this year's Shrove Tuesday event. They served 40–50 people. Leftover sausage is in the freezer and can be bought for \$2.50 a package. Sonny C