

The MESSENGER

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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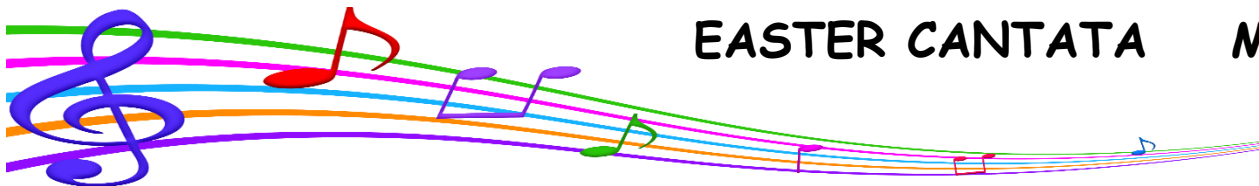
Where strangers become family

WORSHIP SCHEDULE for **HOLY** WEEK

MARCH 24	PALM SUNDAY EUCHARIST	10:00 AM
MARCH 28	MAUNDY THURSDAY EUCHARIST	6:30 PM
MARCH 29	GOOD FRIDAY	6:30 PM
MARCH 31	EASTER EUCHARIST	10:00 AM

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EASTER CANTATA **March 24**



The community choir including St. James singers (Pat Carter, Peggy Jent, Marilyn Witt, Cindy Bullard) will be performing the Easter Cantata at the **United Methodist Church on Palm Sunday at 6:00 pm**, followed by refreshments. This is open to the public and we would love to see you there as we share the ministry of music this Easter season.

The choir will also be taking the show on the road! We will be singing again for the prisoners at the New Castle Correctional Facility and will travel to Versailles on April 7 to sing for a church there.

MARCH SCHEDULE

EUCHARIST	3rd	10:00 am
Peace Meeting	4 th	6:00 pm
BC Meeting	13 th	6:30 pm
Morning Prayer	10 th	10:00 am
Morning Prayer	17 th	10:00 am
LEV class	18 th	6:30 pm
DOK	20 th	noon
PALM SUNDAY	24 TH	10:00 am
MAUNDY THURSDAY	28 th	6:30pm
GOOD FRIDAY	29 th	6:30pm
EASTER	31 ST	10:00am

Lenten Study, Wednesdays at 1pm



****NOTICE**** Due to Holy Week schedule, there are 2 Morning Prayer in a row

PEACE FESTIVAL

Leah Stinson, Sonny Carter, and Peggy Jent have volunteered to be on the planning committee with me for the new Peace Festival on Sept. 21, 2024. The first planning meeting is at the First Friends Meeting on March 4, 6:00 pm. This is a good opportunity for St. James to “be the church” in our community by promoting peace and love to our neighbors. More info to come.

Pat Carter

LICENSED EUCHARISTIC VISITOR (LEV) TRAINING

There is a ZOOM class on March 18 from 6:30-8:30 pm to train you or renew your license so that you can make home or hospital visits and give Communion to the sick and homebound. If you want to be involved in this ministry, sign up now for the class at indydio.org Sonny Carter took the class in the fall and can answer questions. You do not have to serve on the altar as a LEM to do this.

SAFE CHURCH TRAINING IN APRIL

Last year, most of our church members completed the Safe Church training required by the Diocese for anyone in a leadership position, working with children, and anyone with a key. I will be holding a training session after Easter for those that didn't finish or those that now need it. You have the better option of doing it on your own at home BUT some people do better in a group setting. I will be contacting you and finding the best date for April. **Pat C**

SPRING MARKET APRIL 27TH AS A FUND RAISER

The Bishop's Committee decided to hold a fund raising event at St. James on April 27th. Craft Vendors and Rummage Sales will be allowed and it will be run like the Christmas Bazaar. Booth Rental is \$25 for one table, \$40 for 2. There was interest from vendors on our FB post. There are already 3 rummage sale booths. We need volunteers to help plan. Talk to Pat Carter if you will work on this.



BABY SHOWER FOR BROWN AND PETRA'S NEW BABY BOY

Their baby boy will be joining them in May and they gave away all his baby clothes! We will have a baby shower in April (date TBD) to shower them/him with love and clothes for all sizes, all seasons. Newborn to 6 months for summer/fall, 6-9 month for fall/ winter, 9-12 for winter/spring. **Good time to shop clearance sales.**



OUR CONDOLENCES

Samie McBride died on January 12th . Her funeral service will be held sometime in April. Samie was a beloved member of St. James and Elaine Farley's sister. Please keep her daughter, Robin Scott and granddaughter Emaline in your prayers..

FUND RAISING IDEAS NEEDED

To supplement our income, we need fund raisers. Currently we hold our annual Christmas Bazaar and our AA and SWAT meetings donate regularly to building use.

SUGGESTIONS: Any ideas welcome

Rent out office space during the week.
Building use for meetings, gatherings
Rummage Sale
Spring Bazaar
Dinners

GARDEN SEASON IS COMING!!

Start thinking about what help you can give to the garden this year. We left the plants to nourish the soil so there will be clean up needed. Sam has purchased 3 more boxes. During growing season we will need a watering schedule. The kids loved harvesting all the beautiful vegies.

BUILDING UPDATES

The sacristy was recently painted by John Thompson and Maryetta Thurman with paint donated by Peggy Jent. Thanks for all the hard work!

There was a broken pipe in the radiator inside the sanctuary which flooded the side aisle carpet. It has been repaired and the carpet has been cleaned professionally.

Karen and Suzie Shields bought a kid's table and chairs for our growing family.

There will be some outside painting needed this spring so talk to John Thompson, junior warden if you can help.

