

The MESSENGER

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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OCTOBER 2022



Where strangers become family

MEETINGS/EVENTS FOR OCTOBER

RAINTREE SQUARE	OCT 2	2:00 PM
PEACE WALK F/U	OCT 5	5:30 PM
VESTRY	OCT 12	6:30 PM
DOK	OCT 19	12:00 PM
CHILI SUPPER	OCT 23	5:30 PM
BISHOP'S VISIT	OCT 30	10:00 AM

BUILDING RESERVED

- OCT 8TH a private baby shower
- DEC 3RD Christmas Bazaar
- DEC 10TH Rosie Hua's voice recital

BISHOP'S VISIT OCTOBER 30



Bishop Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows will join us for worship on Sunday, October 30th at 10 AM. Please plan to attend and welcome her to St. James. There will be a special reception following the service.



RECENT BAPTISMS

On September 25th, we celebrated the baptisms of Sophia and Magdalena Sorrell-Wiltche during the service. Their parents, Clemons and Sarah were joined by grandparents and godparents. Modern Zoom technology allowed for Clemons sister in Austria to join as one of the godmothers. Welcome to the family!

CHILI SUPPER

Our annual chili campfire supper is on Sunday, October 23rd at 5:30 pm. Bring a lawn chair and dress for the weather. We will move to the canopy or indoors if we have bad weather. Bring family and friends for chili, hot dogs and s'mores! There will be a list of food items needed at church.



PEACE WALK AND FOLLOWUP

Our peace walk/Holy Hike was very nice. There were 26 people there, only 3 from St. James, in addition to the 3 committee members. 3 came from Grace, Muncie. There is a follow-up meeting here on October 5th at 5pm for the committee.

OUR CONDOLENCES

Our organist and friend, Sam Hua lost his grandmother, Pat Wood in September.

Longtime member Sally Cannon, 98yo, died in September. A meal for Sally's family was provided by St. James following the funeral. They were very grateful.

CHRISTMAS SING ALONG AT RAINTREE??

Last year a few of us held a sing along of Christmas carols at Raintree Square. They would welcome us back if there is enough interest in doing it again. Please let Marilyn or Pat know if you would participate. Tentatively, it would be a Wednesday afternoon, December 7th.

SAFE CHURCH

Pat Carter has agreed to lead us in certifying members of the church in SAFE CHURCH, formerly known as Safeguarding God's Children. She will be training this month and will have more info soon. All members involved in leadership and children, and all employees will need to be certified.



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR IS DECEMBER 3RD

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Vendor space is full.

St. James members will be having a bake sale table and luncheon.



BUILDING USE

As a part of the work we've been doing for a couple years, we want to increase building use and visibility in the community. If you know of someone needing space for a meeting or shower, etc., contact Pat Carter to check availability. It's \$50 a day for fundraising events but not for private gatherings.

**DIOCESAN CONVENTION NOV. 4-5
GATHER/TRANSFORM/SEND**

Dan and Cindy Bullard are our delegates for convention which begins at 1:00 pm. The recent neighborhood meeting discussed the budget and the focus on the model Gather/ Transform/ Send. Our CCD committee is focusing on the Gather part of this model.

RAINTREE SQUARE SERVICES

There is a need for more leaders for these monthly services. Currently there are only 4 people that have been alternating every other month. Pat and Aimee have been leading and Marilyn and Cindy have been playing music. Barry filled in when none of us could. If you are interested in learning to do this, please let Cindy Bullard know. It's the first Sunday of each month. If we don't get more leaders, we may have to eliminate the music to lessen the load on these 4 people.

FUTURE STUDIES

We want to have an Advent study in December. Please share any ideas you have for topics. The Diocese also wants each parish to do antiracism work and have recommended some books. We can do most studies both live and on zoom to include more people. If you are willing to lead one, let Marilyn Witt, Sr. Warden know.



HAPPY FALL!