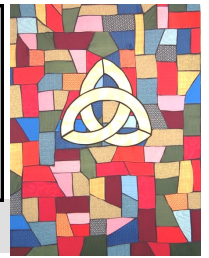




St. James' Notes



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Empowered by the Holy Spirit to be faithful disciples of Jesus, St. James' serves as a beacon of God's love and as a caring Christian family for the community, the nation and the world by seeking to restore all to unity with God and one another and by proclaiming the Good News through worship, witness, education, fellowship and service.

St. James' Episcopal Church at Mount Vernon
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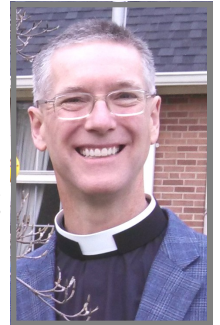
Dear People of St. James',

Each year our liturgical cycle reaches its culmination at Pentecost, and then we ease into the long period which we call Ordinary Time. Many people know this time in the church as the season of Pentecost, or the season of Trinity. I like to call this time Ordinary Time, because I think calling it "Ordinary Time" tells us something about how we are supposed to live during it.

The six months that we call Ordinary Time is ordinary only in contrast to the rest of the year, the six months that runs through Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, and Easter. During these great seasons of the church, we remember and celebrate the gift of Christ that has redeemed and transformed our lives. Ordinary Time is a long period without a major observance, but it is far from ordinary. In Ordinary Time, we live into the gift that we have received. We integrate the life of Christ into our own lives. The gospel stories during Ordinary Time are stories from Jesus' public ministry. They illustrate for us how we are to live and love as his followers.

Some might call Ordinary Time normal time, when we return to the regular routine of life. Our normal has been made exceptional by the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. These months of Ordinary Time will be the time when we live fully into our new normal, the extraordinary life given us through the love of God.

In Christ,
Charles+



Potomac National Baseball Game and Picnic, Saturday, July 18.

We have reserved a block of tickets for the July 18 Potomac Nationals baseball game . This is always a fun evening of baseball and fellowship. Perfect for all ages! The games starts at 6pm and the tickets are \$20 for adults and \$15 for children. The game is played in Prince William County.



This year, Sean and Francesca Wallace have invited everyone to their home for a picnic before the game. All are invited, not just baseball enthusiasts! Bring a side dish or a dessert to share. The Wallace's will supply the rest .

Please see the sign-up poster in the gallery or call the church office to sign up.

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at Mount Vernon**

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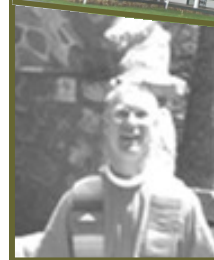
Trustees

Peg Iber
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**St. James' at Shrine Mont
June 12 to June 14**

Everyone is invited for our weekend retreat Friday, June 12, through Sunday, June 14. We have an inspirational program planned for adults and children. There is free time to enjoy the beautiful location, exceptionally good meals, and a special outdoor worship service. We think a little, we talk a lot, we sing and play together. The schedule is informal. Each one shares in activities as he wishes.

The cost is only \$200 per adult for two nights and six meals. Shrine Mont is about a three hour drive, carpooling can be arranged. Plan to arrive around 5:30pm on Friday and stay until after lunch on Sunday. Sign up on the poster in the gallery. More information is available from the church office or in the gallery. And of course you can talk to anyone who has gone before to find out more about this very special place.



Note: On Sunday, June 14, there will be one 10:15am service of Morning Prayer at St. James'.

Bulletin Board



**Ann Chadwick's
New Address**

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37 Fieldcrest Road
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We Recycle!

Thank you to our team of recyclers for doing a great job. Additional volunteers are welcome. It just takes one hour every 6 weeks to collect the recycling at the church. Contact the church office or Marghe Bowker if you interested.



June 6	Janet Fallin
June 13	David Batcheller
June 20	Mike Morgan
June 27	Marghe Bowker
July 4	Eric Katz

Choir Notes

Dear friends,

The end of May brings an opportunity to give thanks for the musical blessings of the year as well as a chance to look forward to the summer. So...



Thank you!

- For your expressions of support as I prepared for and played my recent Master's organ recital and completed my degree in church music
- To the choir for their steadfast, faithful attendance and effort to bring beautiful music to the liturgy and to the glory of God
- To musicians who do not regularly sing in the choir – Mike Morgan, who will be singing Evensong with us; Heidi Brock and Francesca Wallace who sang in last year's summer choir; and Anne Smith, Mary Lowe, and Bob Blair, for their instrumental offerings
- Anne Chadwick, for many years of support and leadership in the choir and in the parish. We will miss you!
- Each and every one of you who sings joyfully on Sunday morning or offers suggestions for hymns, or sits and listens to preludes and postludes

Coming Attractions

I have started planning hymns for the season after Pentecost. This is a great time to be able to sing your favorite hymns – whether from the Episcopal tradition or perhaps another. I welcome your input for hymns that you would like to sing at some time during the summer. There are blue request forms in a basket in the gallery. Please return them to me or to my box in the church office as soon as possible. I will try to incorporate each requested hymn – including trying to track down hymn settings that might not be in the *Hymnal 1982* - but you may have to hum a few notes to get me on the right track. Hum well enough and I'll find a seat for you in the choir – with Ann C. leaving, we need you.



Choral Evensong – Sunday, May 31, at 4pm. The choir is hard at work to make this a beautiful service. We will be singing an Evening Service by Dr. Richard Shephard, with Preces and Responses by Rachel Aarons based on two hymn tunes, and two anthems for Trinity Sunday.

Choir Hiatus - Yes, the time is coming for the choir's summer break. We continue weekly rehearsals until Wednesday, June 3, and vest and sing in the service June 10. There will be no choir on June 14, as everyone will be up at Orkney Springs enjoying the fellowship of the parish weekend at Shrine Mont!

Summer Choir will begin on June 21. You are invited to be part of the SUMMER CHOIR – no vestments, no Wednesday night rehearsals. Just come on Sunday morning at 9:30am and gather in the choir room. We will dust off an old anthem or simply prepare a hymn to be presented at the offertory of that morning's service. Come one Sunday or come every Sunday through the end of July.

We have special music planned for Sunday, June 28. Anne Smith will be playing the flute throughout the 10:15am service.

Soli Deo Gloria!

Alan



Mission and Outreach



Backpack Collection

Our Mission of the 2nd Quarter is for the children in our area. In June and July we partner with United Community Ministries (UCM) to collect school supplies and backpacks for children. The goal is to outfit more than 1,000 students for Fall 2015. UCM is asking for new backpacks and monetary contributions to go toward the school supplies. UCM receives discounts and will buy the supplies. Watch for announcements and collection sites around the church. Make checks payable to St. James' and write "school supplies" in the memo line. Thank you!

Bring Canned Food to Church for the Hungry and fill the Red Wagon

Every week when you are shopping for groceries, think of the hungry and pick up some canned or non-perishable foods to bring to church as a part of your Sunday offering. You can put your food offering in the Red Wagon in the back of the church, and it will be blessed along with all of our offerings during our Sunday service. The food will be delivered each week to Rising Hope Mission Church to support their ministry to the homeless and hungry along the Route 1 corridor.



Yard Sale—A Fun Fundraiser!

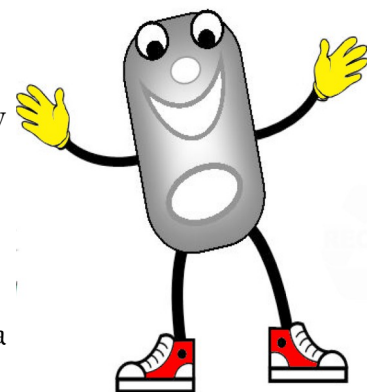
As of the mailing of this newsletter—plans are in full swing for the Saturday, May 30, Yard Sale. We have a rain date scheduled for June 6 from 8am to 1pm. Thank you to everyone for all their hard work. You cleaned out your attics, your storage sheds, your extra rooms, your cupboards, and we have an amazing array of treasures to sell. Thank you to Marghe Bowker, Cheryl Viani and Laurie doCarmo who spent many hours with the pricing and pre-organizing. Thank you to Amber Prigmore for all the publicity efforts. We know there are many more volunteers to thank and please know that you are thanked. This is a huge effort and a big success.

Collect Clothes! As the weather gets warmer, the Rising Hope people need everyday spring & summer clothing, work or job interview outfits, linens and bedding. As you sort your clothes and linen closets, save good quality items you don't need. There is a collection box in the gallery.



Save Pull-Tabs for Ronald McDonald House

Saving any aluminum tab (not just from soda cans) is an easy way to support the Ronald McDonald House located near Fairfax Hospital. You may have noticed the "jar" we use to collect tabs has grown. We filled the smaller one! Now we must work on the larger one. Together they represent 10 pounds of tabs. Ten pounds of tabs represent two free days and nights for a family at the House. Please save your tabs and drop in the collection jar.



Junior Warden's Corner

After an especially long winter, we sure welcomed spring as we have had some gorgeous days in late April and most all of May. And thank goodness, because our clean up days of May 9 and May 23 (for the Ghanaians) were beautiful, so I want to thank all parishioners who came out, with a special thanks to the Ghanaian church members who came out May 23. Most all windows are cleaned inside and out, the pews are shinier, and the gardens are flourishing. And, I can't forget to mention Phil Trott and his multi-talented crew along with himself that quietly work in the background fixing things - the most visible fix is fresh paint in our parking lot. THANK YOU ONE AND ALL!



By now our, our Yard Sale will be finished (unless we need the rain date of June 6) and I am certain it will have been a great success. Special thanks to Marghe Bowker, Laurie doCarmo, Cheryl & Mike Viani, and Amber Prigmore who put so much time and effort into it beforehand, and the unlimited list of those who helped set up Friday evening and on Saturday from sunrise to almost sunset!

And as usual, we are a busy church, so be sure to mark these dates down:

- May 31, 4pm Choral Evensong - Please come out to a wonderful Evening Service with beautiful music by the choir and Alan .
- June/July Backpack and school supplies collection.
- June 7 Picnic - Come one and all with your special side dishes and/or desserts.
- June 12 to 14 Shrine Mont - Not too late to sign up! See sign up poster in the gallery.
- June 21 First Sunday with the "Summer Choir."
All are welcome just come 9:30am Sundays to get to know your part!
- July 18 Potomac Nationals Baseball Game - with picnic beforehand at the Wallace's.

I hope to see you all at Sunday worship and all these fun summer events!

Mike Morgan

Prayers

PRAYER LIST

June Birthdays

- 1 Mark Braden
- 7 Laura Riley
- 12 Sarah Morgan
- 15 Antonia Rodriguez
- 20 Mike Viani
- 25 Jennifer Morgan Boyle
- 27 Cheryl Viani



We pray for strength, guidance and healing for: Esther, Nora, Jenny, Roger, Olivia, Muriel, Muriel Sue, Christopher, Christine, John, Jacqui, Shirley, Amber, Mary, Jeff, Lee, Virginia, Peggy, Ruth, Anne, Leo, Rick, Elizabeth, Bryan, Gina, Porter, Barbara, Klaus, Chris, Kim, Beth, Michelle, Wayne, Fred, Raymond, Lindy, Ashley, Nancy, Meghan, Paul

We pray for the safety and protection of the men and women serving in our Armed Forces, especially those who serve in harm's way in Afghanistan & Iraq: Captain Paul Lowman, and all those injured or wounded.

Anniversaries

- June 7, 2008 Doug & Amy Smith
- June 12, 1999 Dean & Nancy Sherick
- June 19, 1992 Bob & Mary Whitehouse



We Want to Include You

If you don't see your birthday or anniversary listed here, please let us know so that we can include you. You may email to office@stjamesmv.org or call (703) 780-3081. Thanks!



Schedule of Ministry ~ June 7 to July 5

	June 7	June 14	June 21	June 28	July 5
	Pentecost 2	Pentecost 3	Pentecost 4	Pentecost 5	Pentecost 6
		Shrine Mont Retreat	Father's Day		
Celebrant	The Rev. Charles Brock	Morning Prayer	The Rev. Charles Brock	The Rev. Charles Brock	The Rev. Charles Brock
Vestry Person	Francesca Wallace	Eric Katz	Cheryl Viani	Mark Braden	Sara Thompson
Welcoming Team	Jane Wosoogh	Ellen Cleary	Andy DeLaCour	Eric Katz	Laurie doCarmo
Ushers	Ray Smith	Doug Cleary	Wayne Johnson	Eric Katz	Mike Morgan
	Marge Smith	Ellen Cleary	Ben Wosoogh	Volunteer	Barbara Riley
	8:00am		8:00am	8:00am	8:00am
Chalice	Paul Vivian	One service today at 10:15am	David Batcheller	Stan Dawson	Agnes Chapman
Lector	Agnes Chapman		Stan Dawson	Paul Vivian	Janet Fallin
Psalm	Paul Vivian		David Batcheller	Stan Dawson	Agnes Chapman
Prayers	Francesca Wallace		Cheryl Viani	Mark Braden	Sara Thompson
	10:00am	10:00am	10:00am	10:00am	10:00am
Sunday School	Francesca Wallace Mary Lowe	Eric Katz	Andrew Richard Rosemarie Richard	Mark Braden McKayala Braden	Francesca Wallace Mary Lowe
	10:15am	10:15am	10:15am	10:15am	10:15am
Chalice	Bob Fitz	Officiant: Nebiyou Tesfaye	Sara Thompson	Peg Iber	Marghe Bowker
Lesson 1	James Eustis	Marghe Bowker	Peg Iber	Bill Iber	Sean Wallace
Psalm	Sean Wallace	Mary Lowe	Bob Fitz	Cheryl Nostrand	Sara Thompson
Lesson 2	Suzanne Synnestvedt	Gus Braun	Gordon Grant	John Thompson	Hank Morgan
Lesson 3	NA	Nebiyou Tesfaye	NA	NA	NA
Prayers	Ben Justesen	Ben Justesen	Amber Prigmore Tyler	Francesca Wallace	Mike Morgan
Sacraments	Morgan Family	NA	Wallace Family	Rodriguez Family	Eric Katz
Acolyte	Pat Rowell	NA	Ben Justesen	Amber Prigmore	Amber Tussing
Crucifer					Zoe Wallace
Nursery Volunteer	Peg Iber			Jennifer McDonald	
Organist	Alan Moser	Alan Moser	Alan Moser	Alan Moser	Alan Moser
Counter	Nancy Sherick	Jane Wosoogh	Wayne Johnson	Mike Morgan	Marge Smith
Altar Guild	Viani Team	Viani Team	Viani Team	Viani Team	Iber Team

June 2015

EVERY WEEK at St. James' Episcopal Church

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
8:00a Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:00 Adult Forum 10:00 Sunday School 10:15a Holy Eucharist Rite II 11:30a Coffee			11a Bible Study 12p Holy Eucharist with Healing 12:30p Lunch 7p Choir 8:30p AA Mtg			8:30p AA Mtg

THIS MONTH at St. James' Episcopal Church

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 May Trinity Sunday	1 June 6:30p Cub Scouts	2	3 6:30p Cub Scouts	4 10:30a Rising Hope Lunch Ministry	5	6
7 June Pentecost 2	8 6:30p Cub Scouts	9 6:30p Cub Scouts 7:15p Vestry	10 6:30p Cub Scouts	11 10:30a Rising Hope Lunch Ministry	12 Shrine Mont Weekend	13 Shrine Mont Weekend
14 June Pentecost 3 Shrine Mont Weekend One Morning Prayer service at 10:15am	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 June Pentecost 4 Father's Day	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 June Pentecost 5	29	30	1 July	2	3	4 Independence Day!

EVERY WEEK ~ Ghana Resurrection Methodist Church (GRM)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
11:30a Class Meeting 12:30p Worship Service 3p Men's Fellowship					8p Choir	12:30p Youth 1p Leaders 7:30p Bible Study & Prayer

Please always check the online calendar for the most up-to-date event information. Go to our website at www.stjamesmv.org and click on Online Calendar. If you would like to add an event to the calendar, please contact the Parish Office.



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Sunday, June 7



Come and enjoy a relaxing and fun lunch at the church picnic on Sunday, June 7, after the 10:15am service (rain or shine). Everyone bring a dish to share. Burgers and hotdogs will be provided and grilled by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. There is a sign-up sheet in the gallery.