

The MESSENGER

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

MARCH 2019



BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13 at 6:30 PM.

(note change of date)

DOK MEETING

WEDNESDAY, March 20th at noon



Lent will begin this year on March 6. Our Ash Wednesday service is set to start at 5 p.m. In a departure from the recent past, Holy Eucharist will be Rite II from the Book of Common Prayer. St. James parishioner Marilyn Witt has graciously agreed to provide music.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper



Calling all men of St. James!!

Tuesday, March 5th is the annual men's pancake supper for Shrove Tuesday. We will start cooking at 4 PM and serving all-u-can-eat pancakes and sausage from 5-7. Invite family and friends for this night of fellowship.



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Lent



QUIET DAY SCHEDULED

St. Clare Chapter of DOK will be hosting a Lenten quiet day retreat on Saturday, March 9th from 10-2. Bishop Jennifer will be presenting the program of meditations. We will be serving lunch.



FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH

St. James will have a Tuesday evening service on March 19, the Feast of St. Joseph. Holy Eucharist will begin at 5 p.m., with a message about Joseph, the father of Jesus. The service will be a simple Eucharist in the Narthex.

HC Foundation Grant

Plans have begun for the 5th annual Peace Walk on September 21st. We have applied for a Community Foundation Grant and will know by late March if we will have the \$1150 requested to have this special event.

PLASTIC COLLECTION CONTINUES

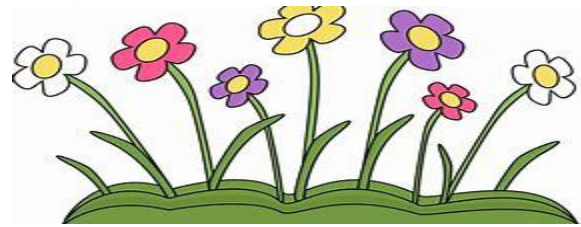
We are still collecting plastic lids of all kinds along with medicine bottles for recycling to make benches. Sonny will deliver them to the fire department.

CHANGE YOUR CLOCK MARCH 10TH



LIVING WELL THROUGH LENT

This book of daily devotions is available at church. It includes reflections from Bishop Jennifer. The theme of the book is "practicing forgiveness with all your heart, soul, strength and mind."



EPISCOPAL WOMEN'S MINISTRY

You are invited to attend the annual EWM spring luncheon on March 30 at Trinity, Bloomington. The Rev. Dr. Shannon MacVean- Brown will present "Bearers of the Light: our call as Women of God". The cost is \$18 due by March 18th. Registration forms are available.



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WOMEN'S WEEK AT WAYCROSS

There are 2 weeks to choose from in June, the 16-20th and the 25-29th. The first week is without kids, the second allows kids to join their moms. The theme this year is "Light the fire" and will include sessions about lighting the fire in your heart and soul, fire crafts/activities, great food and fellowship and as much or little rest and relaxation as you need. Some scholarships are available and you can make monthly payments. If you have any questions about this event, ask Pat Carter.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE
for
Holy
WEEK

Please plan to join us at St. James for all our Holy Week services. For your convenience, we're publishing service times early. They will be repeated in the April edition of The Messenger.

Palm Sunday – 10 a.m., Sunday, April 14.

Maundy Thursday – 5 p.m., Thursday, April 18. Once again this year, the washing of either hands or feet will be offered.

Good Friday – 5 p.m., Friday, April 19.

Organist Nick Fennig, who has been a guest musician at St. James several times, will be back to play on Good Friday.

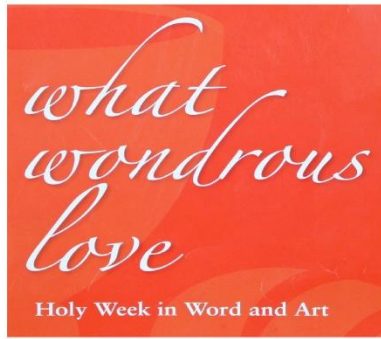
Easter – 10 a.m., Sunday, April 21. Mezzo soprano Rosie Hua, the sister of St. James musician Sam Hua, will return to St. James to sing for our Easter service.

STILL LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO FAST FROM THIS LENT?

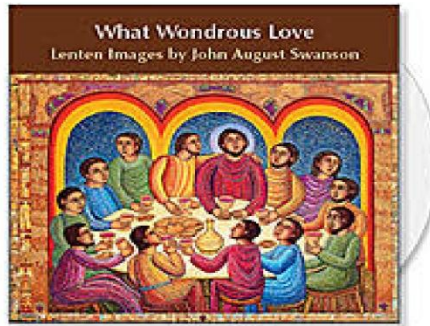
In the words of Pope Francis:

- Fast from hurting words, and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness, and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger, and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism, and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries, and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints, and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures, and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness, and fill your hearts with joy,
- Fast from selfishness, and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges, and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent, so you can listen.

LENTEN SOUP AND STUDY SESSIONS



Study for Holy Week
in Word and Art
St. James Episcopal Church
3 Sessions
Wed. March 13, 2019, 5:00 p. m.
Wed. March 20, 2019, 5:00 p. m.
Wed. March 27, 2019, 5:00 p.m.
with light supper.
Please reserve your spot.



This presentation includes a DVD with key scripture passages and events in the biblical story of Holy Week - the last days of Jesus' ministry, his death and his resurrection. Each biblical text is illustrated and interpreted by the beautiful artwork of John August Swanson and also receives scholarly commentary from members of the faculty at Candler School of Theology at Emory University. The folk hymn "What Wondrous Love is This?" which serves as the accompanying musical theme, is sung by award-winning Celtic vocalist Connie Dover.

The DVD has six sections, we will see two each evening, each approximately 7 minutes long and then follow with discussion.

There is also a booklet for each participant which includes pictures of the artwork and commentary. Five dollars each. More have been ordered.

All are welcome. Please let us know so we know how many booklets we need. You may pick them up at the church.