



The MESSENGER

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

MAY 2018

BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MEETING

MAY 8 at 6:30 PM

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

MAY 16 at noon

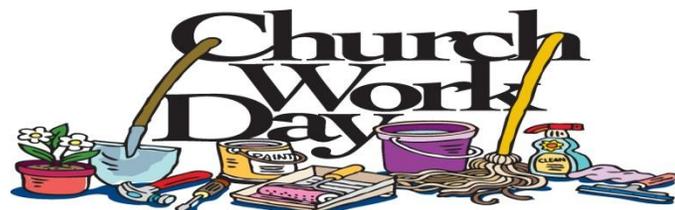


CONFIRMATION MAY 10

Lucas Hummel will be confirmed by Bishop Jennifer on May 10 at Christ Church Cathedral. The service is at 7 PM. Please plan to go to support Lucas.



MAY 20



CLEANUP RESCHEDULED FOR MAY 20

We have rescheduled a "blue jean Sunday" to clean up the church yard and building on May 20. It is also Pentecost Sunday.

VOICE RECITAL MAY 5

Rosie Hua, Don Brown's voice teacher, is having her student recital at St. James the afternoon of Saturday, May 5. The congregation and the public are invited. Don won't be performing, but he's hoping to be there to enjoy the recital.

Rosie is a talented singer and voice teacher with a degree from Ball State University in Speech-language Pathology and Vocal Performance. She's now in graduate studies in Speech Therapy at Ball State.

"Rosie Hua's Voice Studio Recital"

Saturday, May 5, 2018

Doors open at 2pm

Recital starts at 2:30pm

No admission fee!

Stay for cookies afterward!

8 students, ranging from 1st to 12th grade

From Nancy Brown

VICTORY LANE CAMP

It will be on Thursday, July 19th from 5–8 PM. Two more volunteers are needed. Let Pat Carter know if you can help.



BOTTLE CAPS FOR PARK BENCHES

We are still collecting plastic lids. Drop them off at church.

CLERGY CONFERENCE

Deacon Barry Cramer and Fr. Whitney Smith will attend a clergy workshop on evangelism on Wednesday, May 9, at Trinity Church, Bloomington. Presented with help from a grant from The Episcopal Church and led by the Rev. Whitney Rice of St. Francis in the Fields, Zionsville, the workshop called “Evangelism with Integrity” was designed to help increase our comfort level with evangelism as Episcopalians. The workshop is taking place at a time of renewed emphasis on evangelism by the Rt. Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church.

FUTURE BOOK STUDY

Searching for Sunday: Loving, Leaving, and Finding the Church by Rachel Held Evans is \$9.34 on Amazon. It’s an interesting look at all the questions, doubts and answers we all go through at one time or another in our faith journey.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

Christ Church Cathedral Women's annual Strawberry Festival is Thursday, June 14. Let me know if you can help this year.

Deacon Barry Cramer



ROGATION SUNDAY MAY 6TH

Although a city of more than 18,000 residents according to the 2010 U.S. Census, New Castle is surrounded by farm land. St. James will celebrate the agricultural heritage of the area and of many of our parishioners on Sunday, May 6. This is not only the Sixth Sunday after Easter, but also Rogation Sunday. Churches have been observing Rogation days dating back to the early centuries of Christianity. In England, Rogation days were associated with the blessing of the fields at planting. Weather permitting, we will begin the service outdoors with a Canticle chanted by Fr. Whitney and a Litany led by Junior Warden Charles Sloneker.

VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE HYMNS

Remember to turn in your lists of favorite hymns by May 20th.

PROPERTY UPDATES

A handrail was recently installed at the rear entrance to St. James. Covered in white vinyl with posts anchored in concrete, the rail was completed in late April. This is the entrance nearest to the Vicar's office as well as the parking lot. One goal for the installation was to help provide easier access to the rear part of the building, especially for those who find it a challenge to climb steps. It should also make the rear entrance more visible for visitors looking for the office.