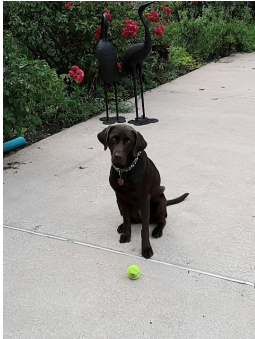




Weekly Announcements  
September 29, 2021



***This Sunday!***  
**The Blessing of Animals**  
October 3rd @ 3:00 PM  
School Parking Lot

Mae Mae Texada (*pictured, left*) invites you and your constant companion - a.k.a your pet - for this rambunctious event that is a church favorite! We will meet in the School gym in case of rain. Bring treats to share!

**Guest Speaker - Save the Date!**

**Dr. Greg Garrett**

October 17th

Speaking @ a 9:00 AM Sunday Formation Hour\*

Preaching @ the 10:30 AM Service\*



Dr. Greg Garrett, who is leading a diocesan workshop on October 16th, will be our guest speaker and preacher at St. James on Sunday, October 17th. Greg is Professor of English at Baylor University, Theologian in Residence at the American Cathedral in Paris, and 2021 Michaelmas-term research associate at the Centre for Religion and Culture at Regents Park, Oxford University. He is the author of over two dozen books, including *The Other Jesus: Rejecting a Religion of Fear for the God of Love*, *The Prodigal: A Ragamuffin Story*; and most recently, *A Long, Long Way: Hollywood's Unfinished Journey from Racism to Reconciliation* (Oxford University Press). According to BBC Radio, Greg is "one of America's most important voices on religion and culture." He has written hundreds of articles and essays for *Salon*, *Washington Post*, *FOX News*, *The Spectator*, *Sojourners*, *The Tablet*, *Religion News Service*, *Christianity Today*, *The Daily Mirror*, and many other print and web publications. His writing has been translated into Spanish, Portuguese, German, Dutch, Italian, and Czech. Greg speaks and preaches widely throughout the Episcopal Church. He lives in Austin, Texas, with his wife, Jeanie, and their family.

\*Nursery is available.

**Worship**

October 3rd  
In-person Eucharist  
@ 10:30 AM

**Childcare is provided!**

[Click here for this Sunday's readings \(Track 1\).](#)



October 3rd  
Evening Prayer  
Online @ 5:00 PM

Join us by clicking this Zoom link:  
[Evening Prayer](#)

Meeting ID: 863 4898 4077  
Passcode: 1620

## Christian Formation

### *Tonight!*

#### Wednesday Night Formation - The Lord & His Prayer

September 29th  
@ 6:30 PM via Zoom

*"Forgive us our trespasses as . . ."*

Join Fr. Tim and others for a conversation about forgiveness -  
is it really possible or is it polite church talk?

[Click here for The Lord & His Prayer Zoom link.](#)

Meeting ID: 88477726099  
Passcode: 1620



### Confirmation Classes This Fall

#### Youth & Adults

Wednesday Nights @ 6:30 PM  
Beginning October 13th

Have you been attending St. James and desire to become an official member? Were you baptized and confirmed in another denomination and want to learn more about St. James and the Episcopal Church, with an eye toward officially joining the church?

Perhaps you've been baptized and have been attending services, and believe that God is nudging you to a deeper level of understanding your faith, and you are looking for a safe, welcoming space to explore your 'God and faith' questions.

Do you have questions about what all this official membership stuff really means? Then these classes may just be the space and time for you to join others in exploring what it means to say (or not) *"I believe ..."*, as the Nicene Creed puts it.

***Adults and youth will meet together with Fr. Tim on Wednesday nights in the Parlor throughout the fall, leading up to Bishop Jake's visitation and Confirmation service on January 9th, 2022.***

While these classes are geared toward those who are not confirmed, long-time church members are invited to drop in as they wish.

Please contact Fr. Tim in the church office @ 445.9845 if you have any questions about Confirmation and if these classes are what you are looking for.

[Click on this link to learn about the 4 ways to be an official member of St. James](#)  
and then click the JOINING THE CHURCH drop-down menu.

***Most importantly, you are welcome at St. James whether or not you are an official member of the Episcopal Church, no matter where you are in life, or your thoughts about God and the Church!***

## Outreach

### Ministry Fund in September

Thanks to your generosity we worked with **14** families to provide **\$2,166.82** in rental and/or utility assistance. Please remember that the first Sunday "loose plate" collection (cash) is designated for the Ministry Fund, and we welcome donations by check as well - please make checks payable to St. James with **Ministry Fund** written in the check's Memo section.

*Thank you!*

### After-school Tutoring Program Resumes October 12th

This year marks 21 years that members of our congregation have worked one on one with students from Rugg Elementary School. We welcome 10 third graders who need their reading level brought up to grade level. **Our program is on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:30 – 5:15 p.m.** If you are interested in volunteering for one or both afternoons, please contact Rita

## Prayer

### Parish Prayer List

**Please keep these members of our community in your prayers:**

*Ty Cedars, Stacy, Mattie Dean McNaughton, Canon John Bedingfield, Sophia (Frey) Bradford, Kristie Fresh, Julie Niven, Sawyer, C. A. Zachary, John, Bernard Parker, James Sinclair, Johnnie Hart, Emily, Taylor Thompson, Todd Fuller, Jane Y. Harris, Chase Barnfield, Kip Hogue, Kyle, James Jay Watts, Janet & Carl Ahrens, Beth Virden, Glenn Guillory, Edna Schoolcraft, Karen Donahue, Jimmy Hurt, Charlotte Thrift, Mesta Bain, Margaret Broussard, Allie Bunyog, Dean M. Tyree, Linda & John Bazer, Ron Kingston, Cecile Brunson, Felicia, Rita Clancey, Barry Mercer, Annie, Jackie Jeanne, Jaclyn Cutrone, Dietrich DeBoer, Beverly Butler, Bruce Gremillion, Murel Trimble, Emily, Betty Anne Close, Bill Leibke, Sarah, Jackie Moody, Sarah, Wayne and Barbara Moorehead, Pat Carter, Dr. Jack Jackson, Richard Norem, Kevin Hooter, Warren Paul, Cindy Smith, Jane Tyson, Gerard, and Mehre Hajighassem.*

**For those in the military:**

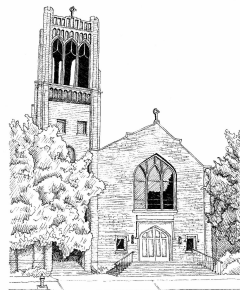
*Samuel Hayes, Steven Rougeau, Steven Brevelle, Franklin Watson, Kyle Jordan, Gill Tatman-Tyree, Donal McCarthy, Michael Geiger, Erskine Cook, Jr., Steven P. Lemoine, Patrick Downs, and Chris Babcock.*

**For those celebrating birthdays in October (day):**

*Teddy Malone (3), Ann Hall (4), Tracy McDaniel Jones (8), Jackie Moody (8), Ruth Weinzettle (8), Meagan Byrds (11), Abbie DuBois (12), Jack Jackson (12), Alex Barlow McCartney (15), Melanie Torbett (15), Jim Weinzettle (15), Rebecca McBride (16), Frances Yeager (16), J. T. Norton (17), Mike Mikell (18), Martha Bolton (19), Dick Crowell (19), Jackson Callaway (20), Jude Daigle (20), Elliot Milliner (20), Robert Ratcliff (20), Roy Rosenthal (26).*



**Congratulations to Eric &  
Tracy McDaniel-Jones!  
Married on September 25, 2021  
St. James Chapel**



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