



August 31, 2022

From Fr. John

Here we are, another school year has started – and another program year for the church is about to begin. Over recent weeks, I have been looking for people who are interested and willing to work with children on Sunday mornings, between services. We are also looking for adults to run a program for children who are not old enough for EYC on Wednesday nights. The church staff would support those who might be interested in being a part of children's Christian development. But the need is indeed great.

Speaking of our program year, on September 7th we will begin Wednesday evening gatherings. Dinner is at 6:00pm. The first week we will have the main dish catered. If you would be willing to help with salad or dessert, please let Drew Texada know (atexada@ssplaw.com) or me know. After dinner we will gather in the Parlor where we will have our program.

For the Fall, our Wednesday program will be *Faith in Film*. It is based, in part, on a book entitled *The Gospel According to Hollywood*, by Greg Garrett. Over the course of this class, we will look at ways in which we can see God in films. Although some of the clips we will view come from religious-themed movies, like *The Ten Commandments*, we will primarily be looking for images of faith and of God in what are normally considered "secular" films, such as *Cool Hand Luke*. I look forward to bringing this material to you. I hope that you will enjoy it as well.

On Sunday mornings, beginning on September 11th, at 9:15am, we restart our adult Christian Formation classes. We will start with a study of the Gospel of Matthew, using a video that is the word-for-word Gospel, but with actors bringing the action to life. There will be discussion of what we see and hear each week. There is no preparation needed for each class. Just show up and join in.

I pray that you all have a wonderful Labor Day holiday. Be safe and enjoy a long weekend.

Peace to you all,
Fr. John+



Ministry Fund

During August, St. James was able to assist 25 families with \$5568.15 towards utilities, rent, and gas. This was due not only to your generosity but also to some influx from Fr. John's Discretionary Fund. The need remains great since the "estimated" utilities bills have been sent out. So many are on fixed incomes.

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!

**Office Closed
Monday - September 5
Enjoy the Extra Day of Rest!**



Faith & Fellowship Returns!

Join us next Wednesday night, September 7, at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall for the kick-off of our Faith & Fellowship Program! Potluck dinner from 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. [church will supply the meat and bread]. JEYC/EYC meet in Youth Building at 6:30p.m. Adult class, Faith in Film, meets in Parlor at 6:45 p.m.

Outreach for September

The Foster Care Closet improves the lives of children impacted by foster care through advocacy, resources, and support. Children are allowed to pick out the items they need themselves. Due to their Back to School Bash, the Closet is currently low on some supplies. During the month of September, the following items can be placed in the blue crate in the narthex (back of church):

- Diapers/Pull-ups
- Wipes
- New socks
- New Pajamas



Worship



September 4th

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

In-person Worship at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
Childcare is available for the 10:30 AM service.

[Click here for the readings.](#)

September 4th
Evening Prayer
Online @ 5:00 PM

[Click on this link to join Evening Prayer.](#)

Meeting ID: 863 4898 4077
Passcode: 1620

[Click here for the order of service & readings.](#)



Prayer

Parish Prayer List

Please keep these members of our community in your prayers:

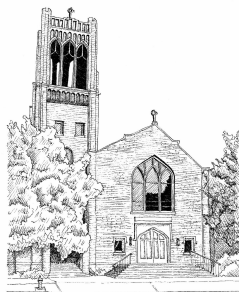
Donnie Hayes, John Brewer, Paula Lieberman, Bill and Beverly Jarvis, Grace Gennuso, Ralph Gill, Robbie G. Jonathan Rhea, Peggy Humbles, Laura Murchison, Amber Damico, Darriel & Charles, Minnie Mikell, Massi Jordan, Richard Norem, Pepe Rizzo, Bonnie McLellan, Eileen DeBoer, Michael Sterne, Jim Leggett, Cackie, Rita and Bill Clancey, Bernard Parker, Rachel and Ben, Kristie Fresh, Janet & Carl Ahrens, Andrea, Jeff and Anne, Lillian DeVille, Shannon Norman, Bill Jarvis, Wilma Filipi, Stephen, Natosha and Family, Fran Barbato, Kevin Delaney, Gail, Charlotte Sterling, Matthew Fontanille, Andrew, Shirley Christian, Susan Webster, Stacy and Richard, Chase Barnfield, Mattie Dean McNaughton, Johnnie Hart, Taylor Thompson, Jane Y. Harris, Kip Hogue, Kyle, James Jay Watts, Beth Virden, Glenn Guillory, Elda Schoolcraft, Jimmy Hurt, Mesta Bain, Dean M. Tyree, Jackie Jeanne, Dietrich DeBoer, Beverly Butler, Murel Trimble, Emily Warren, Bill Leibke, Sarah, Jackie Moody, Wayne Moorehead, Pat Carter, Kevin Hooter, Jane Tyson, Gerard, and Mehre Hajighassem.

For those in the military:

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

For those celebrating birthdays in September (day):

Suzie Butler (1), Jim Marshall (8), Virginia White (8), Stella Craig Ellsworth (10), Deacon Michael Parham (12), Brad Drell (16), Parker Texada (16), Eliza Theus (18), Eric Jones (19), Taylor Thompson (19), Julia Welch (19), Anna Theus (21), James Theus III (21), Spencer Brown (23), Pietry Cabrera (23), Mike Mikell (23), Michael Sterne (25), Bond Walker (25), Joan Brunsonr (28), Elaine Hicks (28), Meredith Owensby (28), Jonalyn Reynolds (28), Jim Leggett (30).



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